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THE PALM AND ITS FOUNDER.

ON the first of December, 1880, a few weeks before the seventh Congress of the Fraternity convened at Macon, Georgia, the initial number of the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM made its appearance. In this latest arrival in the field of fraternity journalism the Editor-in-chief, Brother Joseph Reid Anderson, then serving the Fraternity in the dual capacity of W. G. K. A., and Chairman of the High Council—made his maiden editorial utterance, from which the following is quoted in part:

“BROTHERS:—The High Council, at its regular annual meeting, determined to establish and conduct a journal in the interest of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. This decision was not made in haste, but, on the contrary, was the result of the most careful and serious deliberation. The subject had long enlisted the attention of the Congress of the A. T. O. Fraternity, as well as that of the High Council and of several Chapters of the Order, and the conclusion had long since been reached that the Fraternity *needed* an organ, but the question whether or not the time had come for initiating such an enterprise had never before been satisfactorily answered. At the time of the assembling of the High Council, however, when the matter was again brought to its attention, the arguments in favor of its early establishment were so potent and effective that nothing remained for that body to do but to ordain that the journal be established at the earliest possible moment. Accordingly, the proper steps were at once taken to execute the order of the High Council; and now, after several months of arduous but necessary preliminary work, the High Council has the pleasure of submitting, for your approval, the initial issue of the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM.

“It seems scarcely necessary to speak of the many benefits that can not but accrue to the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, if this enterprise shall culminate in success. Are they not already foreseen in imagination? Does

any brother doubt that they will follow as surely as effect succeeds cause? If there be such an one, it will not be amiss to say a word here by way of demonstrating how the beloved Order will receive benefit from such a Journal as has just been outlined, and its continued prosperity.

"In the first place, it will afford a medium of inter-communication for the general officers, for the chapters, and for the Alumni of the Fraternity. Our general officers and our chapters are located at long distances from each other. Constant and almost incessant correspondence is absolutely essential. How otherwise can such correspondence be better carried on than through the medium afforded by a periodical like the PALM? And, in regard to correspondence *between the several chapters*, all know how difficult—aye, impossible—it has ever been to educate chapters to realize the importance of regularly and frequently communicating *with each other*, to the end that each may know how the others are progressing, and that each may feel that the words of our sublime motto do *not* mean, 'Live unto thyself;' but that they teach a far different lesson.

"A further object is to extend the Fraternity. Where is the brother who does not want to see the work of disseminating the noble principles of A. T. O. prosper? There can be no such brother. Then how more effectively can such a work be planned and prosecuted than by such means as are here proposed?

"But another object is set before the Journal—to preserve the Order's history. Brothers, we *have* a history—short though it be—which must not be suffered to die with us. We have records—precious records—of golden deeds, of immolated lives—a very martyr-roll—which must sacredly be kept and lovingly guarded. They are legacies which our dear brothers, who have gone to their reward, have left us—more valuable than rubies, more useful than gold—to make us ever mindful of what A. T. O. means, and to teach us to be ever ready to obey duty's call.

"And still another end is sought: to strengthen the cords of love that bind Alpha Taus together. What precious memories cluster about the thought of those halcyon days when we were wont to sit together around the old hearthstone in A. T. O. fellowship! Is the desire never felt to renew that sweet communion? Is the desire vain? Nay, nevermore! Widely separated though we be, may we not in soul come together through the pages of our Journal, and revisit the scenes of the old chapter? Bestir yourselves, then, one and all, and rally round the PALM, and with hands and hearts united, we will plant it deep in the affections of our Brotherhood, where it will surely blossom and in time yield fruit for us and for those who shall come after us, when *we* shall have obtained the victor's reward."

Twenty-five years have passed since this hopeful and—as time has proved—prophetic salutory greeted the eyes of one hundred and seventy-five subscribers, which number represented about one-sixth of the names then upon the Frater-

nity's official register. In twenty-five years the PALM has grown—a fact to which its mere age bears silent testimony; for when a journal ceases to grow, it soon ceases to exist. It has grown in size, in scope, in circulation, and—we fervently trust—in usefulness. With this issue, the PALM launches forth upon the second quarter of its century run, and, though its course has been entrusted to the guidance of no less than ten successive editors during the two and a half decades of its existence, still in its retrospective moments it delights most of all to recur to the first two years of its picturesque career, and to the personality to whom it owes its inception.

For much—indeed, for most—of what we may have to offer, we are indebted to our beloved and venerable brother, the Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D. D., who ten years ago produced an exhaustive sketch of Brother Anderson's life and fraternal activities, which to our gratification has been placed at our disposal.

On September 1st, 1866, Joseph Reid Anderson, then a lad of fifteen years, presented himself for matriculation at the Virginia Military Institute, from whose historic halls went many of the most distinguished officers of the Armies of the Southern Confederacy, and whose faculty furnished to the Southern cause its greatest soldier, the immortal "Stonewall" Jackson.

The Institute at that time boasted of but one Greek Letter Fraternity which was none other than our own beloved Brotherhood. The now defunct Virginia Alpha Chapter had been founded only one year before by that distinguished triumvirate, Brothers Glazebrook, Marshall and Ross—all graduates of the institution—and was the "Mother Society" and *governing body* of the Fraternity until the first Congress met in Lexington, Virginia, in 1870—an historical fact of which, we believe, comparatively few latter-day Alpha Taus are aware.

It was a very strong and influential body of men—men of much more mature judgment and much older in years than are apt to be found now-a-days at colleges—who composed our Mother Chapter. They were all men of the highest standing,

distinguished almost without exception, in one way or another, and they were aware of their prestige and proud of it. Still, there were a splendid lot of anti-fraternity men also in the Corps of Cadets, and they, too, were men of experience, with a very large following in their opposition to the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. Some of these men were conscientiously opposed to the existence of any sort of Secret Society at the Institute, as tending to injure its well-known *esprit de corps*. But there were others, and they were much the larger number, who were actuated by a less lofty motive in their opposition to the Alpha Taus. To the former class belonged many of Anderson's young friends; and, therefore, it is not strange that he should have become early imbued with their prejudice against the Fraternity as an institution hostile to old V. M. I. traditions and customs, though he bore the friendliest relation to each and every member of the Fraternity in the Corps. Gradually, however, these feelings of jealousy and animosity passed away, when, in 1867 and 1869, two other fraternities placed chapters at the institute. Anderson was successively invited to join these two fraternities, but declined.

This, then, was the state of affairs that prevailed at V. M. I., and that confronted our youthful hero—youthful, beyond a doubt, in the ordinary acceptance of the term; but possessed of a store of ripening experience calculated to cause the eyes of the modern historical novelist to glisten, as a brief backward glance will reveal.

Anderson's youth, for the most part, was passed in the City of Richmond, where he first beheld the light of day on February 22d, 1855. That he inherited a love for military affairs and early imbibed a longing to participate in the stirring events of 1861-65 is not at all surprising when we contemplate that his father, General Joseph R. Anderson, was a son of Col. William Anderson, a soldier of the Revolution at the age of sixteen, and commander of a regiment of volunteers from Botetourt County, Virginia, in the war of 1812. His mother was born Sarah Eliza Archer, and was the daughter of Dr. Robert Archer, for many years a distinguished surgeon in the United States Army.

We can not even feign astonishment, therefore, to learn that a soldier's career was the most ardent ambition of Anderson's boyhood, and he lived in hope that the war would not end until he could satisfy the yearnings of his heart, especially as he had gained the reluctant consent of his parents to his entering the Confederate Army when he should have reached the age of fifteen, if the war were still in progress. But that was never to be, for the war ended while he was yet fourteen. However, he has the satisfaction of knowing that, although he never became an enlisted soldier, yet at an early age of twelve years, he did actually shoulder his musket and take an active, albeit humble, part in helping to defend the loved city of his birth from capture by a Federal raid in 1863, at the call of the Governor of the Commonwealth.

The next year, 1864, chiefly in order to place him beyond the temptations that constantly beset him to become a soldier, his parents placed him at a boarding school at Greenwood Depot, Virginia. In the Spring of the following year, the Confederate Army, operating in the Valley of Virginia under General Early, was sorely pressed by the overwhelming forces under the Federal General Sheridan, being compelled to fall back successively, after almost daily fighting, before the superior numbers that confronted it. All the stores of the Confederate Army had been removed to Greenwood and placed in the large brick warehouse there belonging to the railroad company. A small force guarded these stores. On the evening of the second of March, 1865, a detachment of Federal Cavalry dashed into the station, and, meeting with only a feeble resistance, speedily captured it. Young Anderson was in the thick of the *mêlée*, and was himself made a prisoner, along with his teacher and other non-combatants. The commanding officer ordered the prisoners to be marched to Waynesboro', to join the large number of Confederate soldiers who had been captured at that point and who were then *en route* to Harper's Ferry for safe keeping. After enduring much hardship during the whole of one night, they reached the temporary headquarters of General Custer at the residence of a wounded Confederate officer who was at home on furlough.

That gallant officer who so nobly died with his whole command twelve years later, at the hands of savage Indians, upon being assured by the Confederate officer that young Anderson was only a schoolboy of thirteen, and that his fellow prisoners were likewise non-combatants, quickly ordered their release, and they immediately set out on their march back to the school. Owing to the destruction of the railway, all possible communication between him and the rest of the world had been cut off, and for six weeks he had never once heard from his home. Vague rumors were in the air of the evacuation and burning of his beloved city and of the surrender of the Confederate Army under the immortal Lee, and of dire suffering and destruction generally.

He could stand the suspense no longer, and resolved to leave school immediately. His teacher, fearing for his safety, forbade his undertaking so hazardous a journey; but his ardent spirit would brook no restraint at such a time; and so, nothing daunted, he set out on the morning of the 18th of April, 1865, and in three days exactly, compassed the march of one hundred and fifteen miles, *on foot*. It was a perilous journey for a boy of thirteen to make under such circumstances, but Anderson's lot was cast in a time that "tried boys' (as well as men's) souls," and he was equal to the occasion.

Thus we realize that it was a lad only in years who donned the Maltese emblem when, early in the Spring of 1869, the boys of old Virginia Alpha initiated Anderson into the holy mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega. This act marked a solemn epoch in his life, he has often said, and he has never failed to refer to it as being the happiest and proudest event in his career. From that date to the present time, our Brotherhood has had no truer son and none whose devotion has been more plainly evidenced by deeds.

On July 4th, 1870, at the age of nineteen years, Anderson graduated in a class of fifty-two members, he being next to the youngest man in it. Two days later, at the first Congress of the Fraternity held in Lexington, Virginia, he was elected W. G. K. E., (though at that time the office was called by another name), and before the expiration of his term, he

organized this important branch of the Executive Department on a solid business basis, turning over to his successor a substantial sum as a nucleus upon which to build an Exchequer. After a year, spent partly in traveling in the Southern States and the West Indies in the interest of an industry controlled for many years by his family, the Tredegar Iron Works at Richmond, Anderson matriculated at the University of Virginia, and for one session gratified a pronounced predilection on his part for metaphysical research, affiliating at the same time with the grand old Virginia Delta Chapter.

With these earnest and united brothers he lovingly labored with good and lasting results—one of the best and most enduring of which, possibly, was the establishing of N. O. Xi Chapter at Trinity College, in which enterprise he was assisted by Brother M. L. Wicks. Meanwhile, he began the long-delayed work of recording the Annals of the Fraternity, giving himself up to the discharge of this self-imposed, but vitally important, task of putting in enduring form the records of all the chapters—both active and extinct. Not until he had possessed every known fact relating to every chapter that had ever been chartered did he rest from these labors, and then, in 1878, he published in cheap form the first “Preliminary Catalogue” of the Fraternity, by means of which he hoped that an official register could be perfected. The hope was not a vain one. His energies in this direction continued with undiminished zeal, until, at the Congress of 1884, the burden of his fifteen years’ labor was gratefully lifted from his shoulders, and it remained for our able brother, Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook, to carry the project to completion. The two editions of the “Official Register,” which appeared in 1897 and in 1903, speak eloquently in their own behalf and call for no further comment in this connection.

In September, 1872, Anderson was honored by his first *alma mater*—his beloved V. M. I.—in being appointed an assistant professor of Latin and Tactics in that Institution. This was, without doubt, the most delightful portion of his whole college career. The position was an honorable one and

its duties were congenial; and withal, he had for associates and confrères such men as Brother F. H. Smith, upon whom—two years before—had devolved the signal honor of calling to order the first Congress of the Fraternity; the late Brother Richard Brook, at one time Secretary of the R. & D. Railroad, of Richmond; Brother Alexander B. L. Hamilton, whose conspicuous legal attainments, as recently as 1902, rendered him an active participant in the Virginia Constitutional Convention; and Brother R. P. W. Morris, destined to occupy a seat in Congress as well as upon the bench of the Circuit Court of Minnesota.

Anderson resigned his professorship the following year to re-enter the Tredegar Iron Works as a Director and Secretary of the Company. Three years later, at the Congress held in Raleigh, N. C., in 1876, he accepted the exalted office of Worthy Grand Chief, an event which, in the light of later years, has come to be regarded as the most telling act in his brilliant career of fraternal activity. The Fraternity at this time was experiencing a most critical epoch—one which foreboded darkly even to our most sanguine brothers. Whatever may have been the causes leading up to this condition is quite another story; suffice it for the purpose of this exposition to say, that heroic and well-directed measures alone could save the Order from dissolution. Our chief founder reviews the situation as having been “truly deplorable, and, at first glance, it seemed an impossible task that Congress had given him (Anderson) to do. It was a burden that very few Alpha Taus would have cared to assume, for it seemed hardly possible to re-animate the fast dying body.”

With a prospect so disheartening, the newly elected Executive launched forth upon his campaign of resuscitation, finding an equally zealous co-worker in the then W. G. K. E., our distinguished brother, the Honorable Benjamin F. Long, who since has risen to the enviable dignity of Judge of the Superior Court at Statesville, North Carolina. Together they conferred long and earnestly, and to such good purpose that ere long they had the happiness to see the results that betokened absolute success, and they took courage and worked

the harder. Certain it is, that a no more valuable and inspiring part of the Fraternity's history can be found than is contained in Brother Anderson's report to the following Congress, which was held in Richmond in 1877. From this successful Congress must be dated the new and bright era that dawned on our beloved Brotherhood.

Possibly the *busiest* Congress in the history of the Fraternity was held the next year in Baltimore. As a crowning feature of the many issues that date their inception from this gathering, the High Council was created—an act which, if nothing else had been accomplished, would have entitled this Congress to lasting praise and honor. Brother Anderson was named as Chairman of this new body, which fresh responsibility he assumed despite the fact that the same Congress had elected him W. G. K. A.

It was in Richmond, at the second annual meeting of the High Council, in 1880, that Brother Anderson laid before that body a scheme for the advancement of the Fraternity that had been dearly cherished by him for several years—the establishment of a Journal to be published, under the auspices of the High Council, as the “Official Organ of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.” The scheme in all its details had been maturely considered by him from every point of view; and so thoroughly convinced was he that it would not only be a success from the start, but would also be a most potent factor in propagating the eternal principles of the Order, that the High Council unanimously and enthusiastically ordered its establishment and designated Brother Anderson as Editor-in-chief.

Accordingly, as set forth in the outset, the PALM made its appearance before the close of that year, and the venture, beyond doubt, was an event of the most far-reaching importance in the Fraternity's history. From its first issue, it took rank with the ablest journals of its kind in the country, and unquestionably it gave a new impetus to the Fraternity that caused it to leap, almost at a bound, into the front rank of American College Fraternities, where it has continued to this day.

At the Congress held in Washington, in 1882, Brother Anderson addressed that body at considerable length, dwelling upon the early struggles, the aims, and the pressing needs of the PALM, including the interesting item of information that \$12.69 represented the net profits of the venture for two years. He closed as follows :

"The PALM has taken a respectable stand, I believe, among Fraternity Journals. It has certainly brought our Fraternity prominently forward in the Fraternity world ; and all concede, I think, that to it, more than to any other auxiliary, is to be ascribed the remarkable extension of A. T. O. territory, and the consequent spread of A. T. O. principles.

"I have given the PALM my time and love during the two years of its life. I undertook its establishment and its conduct for two years. Whether well or ill, I have executed my commission. The time has come when I must resign my work—my cherished work—to other hands ; and as I do so, I would say that it is with the greatest pleasure of my life, and with, I trust, a pardonable pride, that I present to the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, as a love-offering, the result of my two years' work as her Editor-in-chief."

The "love-offering" consisted of handsomely bound copies of the two volumes of the PALM, which the Worthy Grand Chief, Brother Thomas G. Hayes, whose subsequent administration as Mayor of the City of Baltimore has attracted national attention, accepted with this well-chosen sentiment :

"If there is a debt of gratitude the Fraternity owes any one, it is to Brother Anderson. In all my intercourse, I have never found a man who has so thoroughly embodied in his nature fraternal love. He has taken hold of the PALM, and has given it his love and best work, and to-day the PALM stands as his monument in the Fraternity."

The late Brother Theodore A. Jones, who was then manager of what was pleased to be known as "The A. T. O. Publishing House," and than whom, by virtue of his position, none had a more intimate knowledge of the matter under consideration, arose and said :

"Let me testify to Brother Anderson's sedulous zeal in the conduct of the PALM. I could say more, but it is enough now to add that this praise can not be adequately spoken."

Brother Anderson's activity did not end with his resignation from the editorship of the PALM. With the exception of

the short interval between the Macon and Washington Congresses—during which period he was permitted, at his own earnest request, to devote his time exclusively to the PALM—he was identified with the High Council for fourteen years, or from the Baltimore Congress, in 1878, until the Nashville Congress, in 1892.

A combination of sad visitations, however, gradually pre-occupied Brother Anderson, and submissively—though sorrowfully—his beloved Fraternity resigned her claims upon so full a measure of his attention. His health becoming temporarily impaired by the sedentary life he had been compelled to lead in the city, he severed his active business connections, and for many years his all-absorbing care was his invalid wife—she who, in the days of his struggles in behalf of the PALM, was ever his able and willing co-laborer. Oft-times did she entreat him to go and join his brothers in their reunions; but his heart was too sad and ill-attuned for such joyous occasions.

As early as 1883, he removed to his country estate in Goochland County, Virginia, and thus accomplished the desire that had been uppermost in his heart for many years—a residence in the country. There, in the picturesque valley of the Upper James River, he has resided ever since, indulging his fancy for rural life and improved stock-raising, and at the same time conducting a large cooperage plant as an adjunct to the Tredegar Works, in which industry he retains a large interest.

Happy in his domestic life, he has never cared for worldly honors, nor courted praise and applause; albeit, a generous share of all of these has been his portion. His has been an active, though unostentatious life, and while his attitude toward “society,” in its common acceptation, has been one of distaste, it is none the less true that his good-fellowship has won a popularity amounting almost to fame. He is never happier than when his house is filled with friends, and his hospitality is of the kind that always makes the recipient feel that his presence at his host’s fireside is a real joy to him.

Of the sorrows, trials and disappointments that come,

sooner or later, to all the sons of earth, our brother has supped heavily. His wife, who was the beautiful Annie Morris, of Green Springs, Va., was wrested from his bosom after nearly twenty-two years of wedded happiness, and the same grim Reaper has claimed four of their promising children. Two sons have been spared to comfort the eventide of his life; a life to which Alpha Tau Omega owes much—more than has been here recounted; for even by the quiet dignity of his well-merited retirement, Brother Anderson still typifies and idealizes the true Alpha Tau.

ALFRED S. HARTZELL.

A ROSE.

To-day I plucked a budding, blushing rose.
And as I bent with tender lips to drink
The fragrant perfume from its petal brink,
I paused; for there, within the bud, arose
A face far fairer than the fairest rose.
A face whose features fair forever link
The garland chains of memory. To think
How frail—how frail the stem that bears a rose.

Oh, precious little bud, thou knowest not
What thou this day hast been to me. Forgot
Thou ne'er shalt be; for I shall ever keep
Thee—keep thee, yea, and e'er preserve thee whole
In some old book. In sacred silence sleep
To wake, if wake thou wilt, with my sad soul.

JOHN A. MCCOLLOM, JR.,
Pa. Alpha Iota.



WASHINGTON GAMMA PI—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WASHINGTON GAMMA PI.

AWAY back three years ago a small group of students, following plans carefully laid the year before, got together at the opening of school and began holding meetings. Not until the men had all been chosen and were working together did they allow their society to be known; and then they carefully but firmly turned down invitations from other fraternities and worked hard to perfect their own organization. After much discussion and the use of the old classic stand-by, Liddell & Scott, the first letters of the Greek translation of the society's motto was chosen as the local name, viz., Phi Sigma Epsilon. The young organization struggled through that year and started out auspiciously on a second year. Then they had their crucial experience. They had in their group some of the strongest men in college and were holding many important student offices and positions.

For some inexplicable reason five fraternities determined to crush this local and to that end united in a Pan-Hellenic which proceeded to do everything to this end besides trying to humiliate the Phi Gamma Delta chapter. The Phi Sigma Epsilon society had a hard fight in such boisterous and overpowering waves of adversity but the little craft bore through the tornado of abuse and harsh treatment although it had a hard struggle because of desertions and other disagreeable features. At this critical period Brother A. W. McCord of Alabama Beta Beta met us. He had talked over the fraternity situation at this institution with President Kane and the latter had given him a frank opinion of the Phi Sigma Epsilon boys; from that hour Brother McCord had faith in them and set about to help them secure a chapter from Alpha Tau Omega. It may be a good thing to say right here that Brother McCord's example is worthy of emulation; when a fraternity local has the right material in it for Alpha Taus in the estimation of any Alpha Tau he will raise himself and his fraternity in the eyes of all barbarians if he will step out of

his way to encourage those fellows if they have an honest fight. Brother McCord managed, by his skilful correspondence, to locate at North Yakima, Washington, Brother C. S. Van Brundt of Illinois Gamma Zeta, who had been one of the prime movers in the organization of Colorado Gamma Lambda, and got him interested in this group at the University of Washington. With the co-operation of Brother Helton, who was a member of Illinois Gamma Zeta and is practicing medicine in North Yakima, these two men started a campaign of education in favor of the University of Washington and extension of Alpha Tau Omega.

Since being under the guidance of these two "papas", Brothers McCord and Van Brundt, the organization has constantly strengthened and fought the fight against all the wiles of the Pan-Hellenic. At last, word was received that the formalities of decision were under way and the boys were truly on the anxious seat. They knew of letters sent to other colleges by the Pan-Hellenic and feared the evil effects of same, but were most happily disappointed when a telegram from Brother Lamar on the afternoon of November 29th announced that the charter had been granted and extending congratulations. What delirium of joy possessed the boys! How they did enjoy the letters of congratulation and the telegrams from Brothers McCord and Van Brundt! It was certainly the most delightful Thanksgiving the majority of the boys had ever witnessed.

Since people always meet their stumps in rows so it is with good fortune, it never rains but it pours. Although our god-father Brother McCord could not be present, yet our other papa could come to the banquet and so Brother Fenn very kindly appointed him to that splendid office. The initiation committee, with his constant guidance and help, immediately made arrangements for the installation. January 20th was selected for the event and letters were sent out to every alumnus in the Northwest whose whereabouts were positively known. Unfortunately for that date several alumni who would have been present otherwise were unable to attend so that there was not as large a gathering as was expected. At

two o'clock in the afternoon of that well-remembered Saturday, all the boys and the three alumni gathered at Rogers studio for the initiation picture.

The installation proper took place in the private enclosed parlor of the Lincoln Hotel, at eight o'clock in the evening. Besides the installing officer, Brother C. S. Van Brundt, Illinois Gamma Zeta, there were present to assist him the following alumni: Brother Charles A. Clark, Lieutenant, U. S. A., Illinois Gamma Zeta, of Fort Worder; Brother "Pence" Parker, Colorado Gamma Lambda, of Seattle; Brother F. B. Graves, Michigan Beta Lambda, City Comptroller of Bellingham; and Brother T. E. Cade, Michigan Alpha Mu, Bellingham. After the magnificent installation service had taken place the regular election of officers was held and the group adjourned to the banquet.

Elaborate preparation for the installation banquet had been made by the boys in the private dining room and the decorations did honor to the occasion. After Brother Fischer had taken a flash light of the group, the twenty-five present did ample justice to the fine feast. Toastmaster Taylor called for toasts at one o'clock in the morning with the following result:

"The Alpha Tau Spirit"	T. E. CADE.
"Greetings from Colorado Gamma Lambda"	"PENCE" PARKER.
"Alpha Tau Omega"	C. S. VAN BRUNDT.
"Our Two Papas, Brothers McCord and Van Brundt"	G. C. RANDELL.
"Friends in Finance"	F. B. GRAVES.
"Reminiscences of Phi Sigma Epsilon"	J. B. MITCHELL.

After the toasts expressions of sentiment were called from each of the initiates. Then Brother Cade arose in behalf of the alumni and presented to the Chapter a sum for the purchase of a walnut gavel with a silver plate on which is inscribed the names of the alumni present at the banquet; the Toastmaster then called on the new wielder of the gavel for a few words of response.

Brother Taylor then arose and spoke a few words of farewell and dismissed the gathering. On looking at their watches those present found to their surprise that it was just

half past three o'clock and made all possible haste to catch the "paper car" for home, stopping outside the hotel long enough to give the Alpha Tau yell.

The charter members of the chapter are :

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| MARVIN W. TAYLOR, 1904. | Prosser |
| Principal of High School. | |
| JAMES B. MITCHELL, 1905. | Tacoma. |
| Principal of Fife Schools. | |
| ROBERT W. DELAND, 1905. | Seattle. |
| Salesman, James Clark Leather Co., St. Louis. | |
| GEORGE C. RANDELL, 1904, Law 1906. | Seattle. |
| Has held numerous student offices during undergraduate career. | |
| ARTHUR H. FISCHER, Mining Engineering, 1906. | Seattle. |
| Accompanist, Washington Glee Club for three seasons; organist
Seattle First Baptist Church. | |
| C. ALFRED NELSON, Liberal Arts, 1906. | Mt. Vernon. |
| Assistant in Zoology, 2 years; Member Stevens Debating Club. | |
| WILLIAM E. PARKER, Liberal Arts, 1907. | Seattle. |
| Treasurer, Y. M. C. A.; Member Inter-collegiate team which
debated University of Oregon; President Stevens Debating
Club. | |
| FREDERICK W. SANDER, Law, 1907. | Ellensburg. |
| Member Stevens Debating Club; Member German Club; Vice-
President Law Association. | |
| BRENT A. LINDSAY, Liberal Arts, 1907. | Wenatchee. |
| Member Stevens Debating Club; Vice-President Y. M. C. A.;
Member German Club; Member French Club. | |
| RICHARD C. BRENNESHOLTZ, Liberal Arts, 1908. | Waterville. |
| Member Stevens Debating Club. | |
| ROY SCATCHERD, Pharmacy, 1908. | Seattle. |
| Second Base, Baseball Team; Member Freshman Football Team
and Sophomore Football Team. | |
| GUY L. SMITH, Pharmacy, 1908. | Bellingham. |
| CHARLES F. STAFFORD, Pharmacy, 1908. | Cle Elum. |
| E. OWEN CRIM, Electrical Engineering, 1908. | Seattle. |
| Center and Captain Football Team; Member Inter-collegiate
Rowing Crew against California; Cornetist in University
Orchestra and Band. | |



A. T. O. HOUSE AT WASHINGTON.

LEMUEL P. CRIM, Electrical Engineering, 1908.	Seattle.
Captain Second Football Team; Member University Orchestra and Band.	
MASHALL D. WILKINSON, Civil Engineering, 1909.	Milton, Oregon.
Member University Glee Club; Member German Club.	
GEORGE I. DUNLAP, Electrical Engineering, 1909.	La Conner.
FREDERICK M. CROLLARD, Liberal Arts, 1909.	Wenatchee.
Member University Orchestra and Band.	
WALTER R. THOMAS, Electrical Engineering, 1909.	Wenatchee.

BRENT A. LINDSAY.

“EINIGKEIT MACHT STARK,” is the German way of putting an aphorism which has long been familiar in its English form. In dissipation there is always weakness. In concentration there is strength. That the truth of this saying is universally conceded is indicated by the fact that it has become a maxim in so many languages. By the Master Himself, who said, “He that gathereth not with Me, scattereth abroad,” and by the sages from His day to ours the power of this idea has been given emphatic recognition.

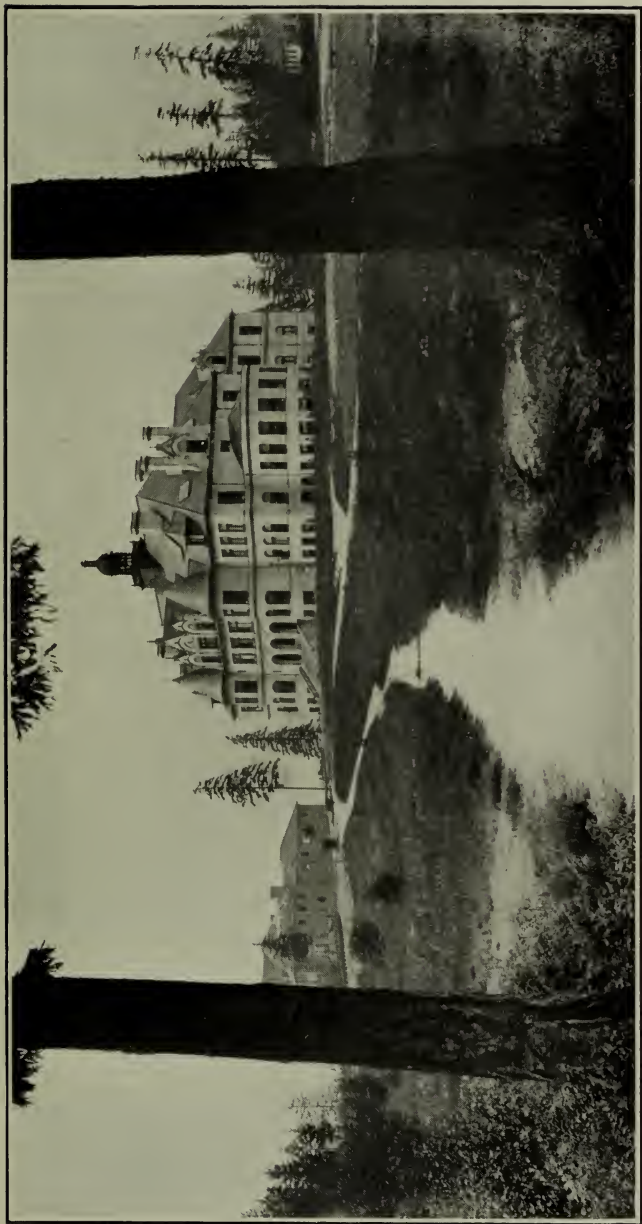
The most important business for us at this particular time is to get together. Our membership represents abundant potentiality. Our resources are varied and valuable. What is needed now is union, co-ordination and co-operation. We should compare, and confer, and put every phase of our work in touch with its every other phase. Were we to make even the slightest effort, we could doubtless find plenty of points of difference in opinion, in taste, and in belief. But these we must overlook, and, seeking common ground, give faithful and consistent support to the great essentials of the Cause.—*Frank A. Fall (Mich. Beta Omicron) in “Blazed Trails.”*

THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

PUGET SOUND is recognized as the gateway to Alaska and the Orient. It is on the edge of the Republic and is itself a region of great natural resources now in the midst of prosperous development. For these reasons an institution of higher education, maintained by the State, should be an object of interest to the people of the entire nation.

The seat of the University of Washington is the metropolis of Washington, Seattle, the best advertised city in the United States. This city at the present time has a rapidly growing population of over 200,000; in two years there will be three more transcontinental railways in the city in addition to the two present lines. Seattle is the port nearest Alaska and Asia—nearer the latter by five days than her nearest competitor. With a high school of 2200 students constantly increasing and common schools in proportion, besides six good academies, Seattle is a fine place from which college material springs. Mr. Carnegie has given the city a magnificent library building and the city is supporting it very liberally and when completed it will be the finest thing of the kind on the Pacific Coast. Seattle's growth and progress assures the University of Washington a home equalled by none west of the Mississippi river.

The University of Washington was located at Seattle in 1861, after having been the football of politics for several sessions of the Legislature. In order to carry out the provisions of the Legislature the Seattle pioneers contributed ten acres in the heart of the city where the University was located; it remained there until 1895. Owing to conditions in the State, the growth of the University was very slow. The appropriations of the Legislatures were always inadequate. Not until the "Seattle crowd," led by a graduate of the Territorial University, got together in the session of 1893 did the University get what was justly coming to it. At that time the appropriation was made adequate and a new site was secured in the northern part of the city between Lakes Union and Washington on a



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

large tract of land. From that time on, the growth of the school was sure and rapid. Appropriations for buildings and equipment ever since have been quite liberal.

The University is located on a campus of 355 acres which has one mile frontage on Lake Washington and a half mile on Lake Union. The campus proper is in the form of an oval on the highest portion of the ground. The major axis is 1200 feet and the minor axis is 650 feet. Facing the southeast and fronting at the middle of the upper side of the oval is the Administration building, a large sandstone structure with terra cotta trimming. It is a model of the pure French Renaissance. In this building, with the exception of the Department of Mathematics, are located the purely Liberal Arts Departments besides those of Chemistry, Physics and the Law School with its private library. In the basement the University Library is at present inadequately housed; and consists of 21,500 bound volumes and over 10,000 pamphlets. It is by far the largest school library in the Pacific Northwest.

To the southwest of this is a large brick structure named Science Hall, in which the Departments of Mining, Geology, Zoology, Botany, Mathematics and Engineering proper hold forth, as well as two large sections of the University Museum. On the opposite side of the oval and facing Science Hall is the Power House of brick and stone, in which there is equipment for work in Mechanical Engineering. The mill of the Department of Mines is located in a wooden building beside the Power House. At the opposite and upper end of the oval are located the two Dormitories, Lewis and Clark Halls. On the extreme north side of the campus and off the oval is the Gymnasium, which has the finest floor in the State and an equipment second to none. Just back of the Administration Building is the Observatory, a small stone building compactly and perfectly equipped with modern instruments.

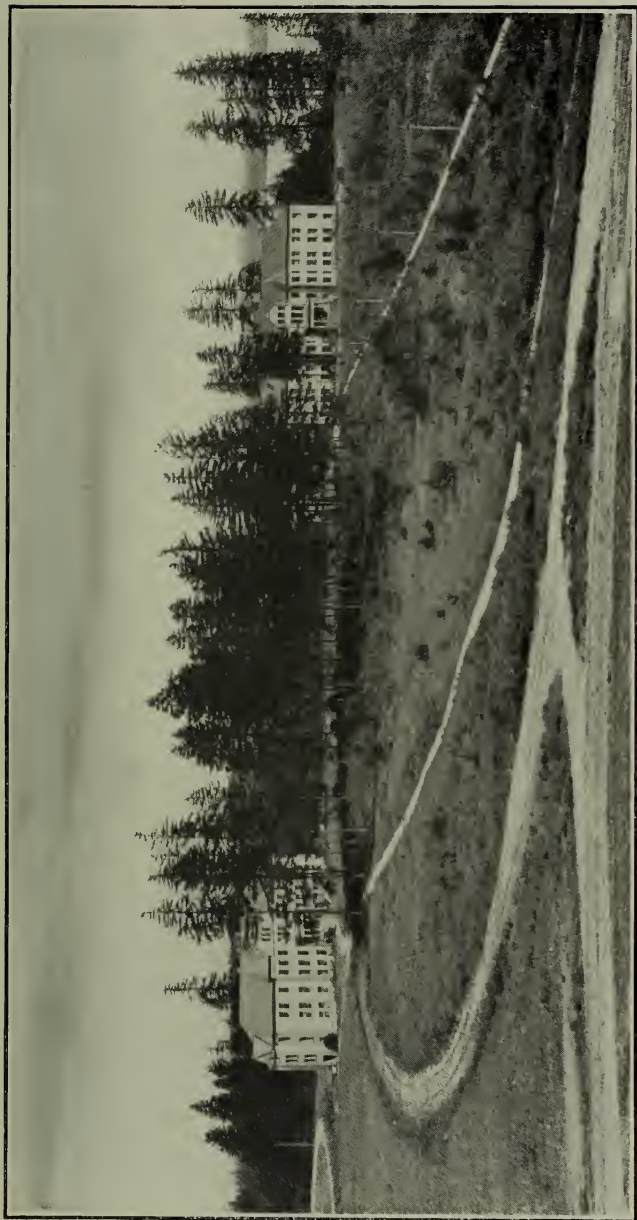
With the exception of that portion on the west side of the oval, practically no work has been done to beautify the campus, so that this tract of land which is capable of such fine landscape effects is in almost a wild state. However, Olmstead Brothers, of Brookline, Massachusetts, the well

known landscape artists, have drawn elaborate plans for the campus which will be followed in the matter of all future beautifying and the location of all other buildings. The Park Commission of City of Seattle, realizing that the University Campus will be a city park, lends all aid within its power to assist the Keeper of Grounds. Taking the campus as a whole no better place could be selected near the city of Seattle for the home of such a seat of learning President. David Starr Jordan, of Stanford, said that this campus has the making of the finest campus in America.

On a close estimate the campus of the University is worth \$355,000 and the buildings represent an outlay of \$438,000, while the equipment is easily worth \$155,000, making a total valuation of \$948,000. The University has the Federal land endowment of 103,320 acres, lying in different parts of the State, from which the University derives no benefit at the present time. The 10 acres given by the Seattle pioneers will in the next ten years be in the very heart of the business district of Seattle so that the University will derive an enormous revenue from it some day. At present this plot has been leased for a period of fifty years. This tract alone, aside from the Federal land grant, assures the future of the institution. For this reason, the University has been maintained entirely by Legislative appropriation. Up until the last ten years this was very meagre, but has been more nearly adequate for the past few bienniums. The last Legislature appropriated \$298,690 for the two years ending April 1, 1907.

The total actual attendance at the University at the close of the first semester of the present school year is 1002, while the total enrollment of the past school year was 811. This does not take in account the enrollment of the summer school which had an attendance of 159.

The growth of the University has been phenomenal. From statistics carefully compiled it has been found that the University of Washington has had an increase in attendance of at least twenty-five per cent. each year over the total enrollment of the year previous. The largest increase, by far, has been in the Department of Engineering. For the present year the rate of increase over the same period last year is over



THE DORMITORIES—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

thirty per cent. To show the comparative rate of increase for the past six years of the largest Universities of the Pacific Coast, the following figures speak for themselves: Stanford 2.6 per cent.; California 5.3 per cent.; Oregon 3.8 per cent.; Washington 25.0 per cent.

The actual salaried teaching force, exclusive of lecturers, is sixty-four, of whom forty-eight are in the College of Liberal Arts and sixteen in the Professional courses of Pharmacy, Law and Engineering. The faculty represents practically one hundred collegiate degrees from forty-four institutions in this country and Europe. Students from the University of Washington are admitted without question to equal standing in the best institutions of the East. President Thomas F. Kane thus characterizes the standards at this University when writing recently to the President of the University of Michigan: "The courses at the University of Washington compare favorably with those of any other institution in the United States as regards the character and quality of work offered."

The whole atmosphere of this college speaks of improvement and progress. The best fitted men from the graduate schools of the East are secured each year to fill the rapidly enlarging departments. All students must present high credentials in order to take advantage of the courses of the institution. Scores of students are turned away each year because they have not sufficiently strong credentials. No preparatory work at all is offered and students who do not have the required high school preparation must meet the personal requirements of instructors in whose departments they wish to take up work. As an evidence of the particular fitness of this class of students it is worthy of note that their average age is twenty-two years. The University proper includes Colleges of Liberal Arts and Engineering, and Schools of Pharmacy, Law and Mines. The College of Engineering embraces Departments of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical and Chemical Engineering. The regular collegiate work of this University is unsurpassed by any school in the United States for equipment and up-to-date instructors.

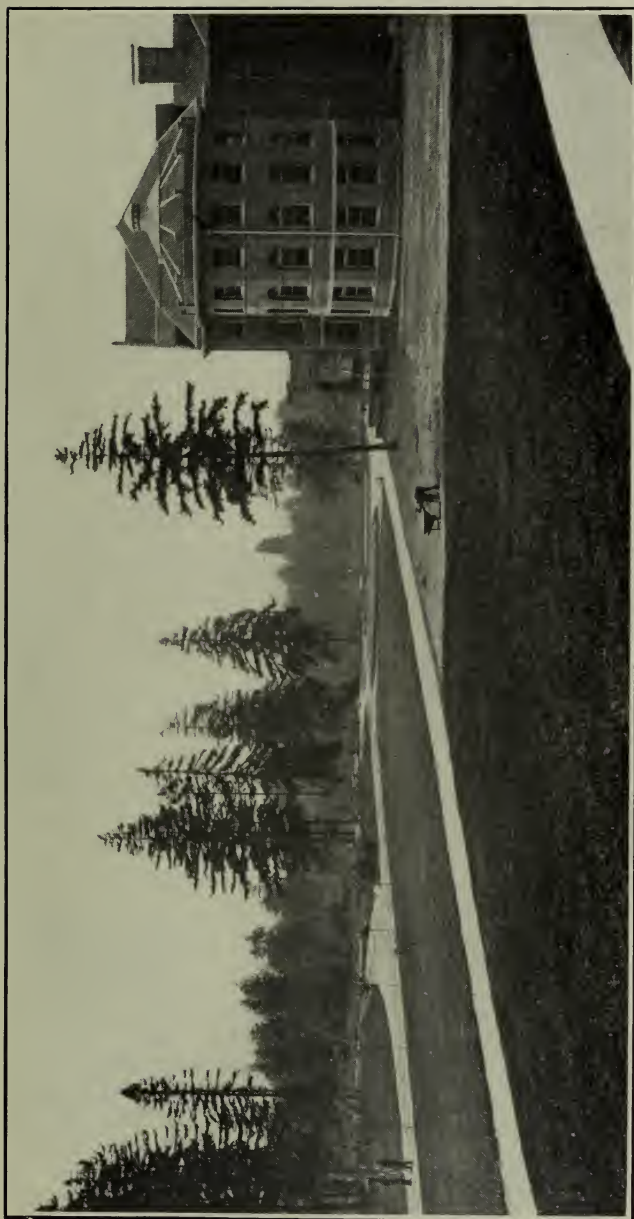
As an evidence of the progressive character of the student body there are four debating clubs, ten departmental clubs, a

band, orchestra, two glee clubs and a rooters' club besides the associated students, which latter organization embraces all college activities. The regular publications of the school are the *University Bulletin*, a quarterly publication; *The News-Letter*, a weekly news sheet; *The Wave*, the student publication; *The Goat* a monthly literary magazine; and *The Tyee*, the Junior Annual. The modern language clubs and the dramatic club take a lively interest in staging amateur theatricals frequently. The student body is active in all branches of athletics, competing annually in football, baseball and track work with the Universities of Oregon and Idaho. It has also met the University of California once in a tie game of football. In rowing, the University has met the two California institutions for the past three years. The track work compares favorably with any on the Pacific Coast and track men are in training the year round. At present the University holds several records for the Pacific Coast. On the campus are six fine courts where tennis is played every month in the year; as yet there have been no inter-collegiate contests in this sport.

In the Greek world, the following fraternities have established chapters at the University: Sigma Nu, 1896; Phi Gamma Delta, 1900; Phi Delta Theta, 1900; Beta Theta Pi, 1901; Sigma Chi, 1903; Kappa Sigma, 1904; and Alpha Tau Omega, January 20, 1906. It is expected that Sigma Alpha Epsilon will charter a local society before the present school year closes. The following sororities are represented: Delta Gamma, 1903; Gamma Phi Beta, 1903; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 1904. The K. T. T. local sorority is applying for a charter from Pi Beta Phi and the Alpha Tau Delta local sorority is applying for a charter from Kappa Alpha Theta.

It is perfectly natural that the people of the State of Washington should be proud of its chief institution of higher education. The loyalty and spirit of the University itself is continuously manifested in its various activities. One instance will suffice to show the interest of the students and faculty in the material progress of the University. They have organized an annual Campus Day, when all the men don old clothes and go to work beautifying the large campus. The ladies provide the midday meal. Every student, as well as every professor, has developed a feeling of ownership and loyalty for the college and its magnificent campus.

BRENT A. LINDSAY.



PORTION OF CAMPUS—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON—SCIENCE HALL.

THREE PROVINCE CONCLAVES.

THE FIRST CONCLAVE OF PROVINCE IV.

PROVINCE IV held its first biennial conclave on Feb. 22nd in the Westminister Hotel, in Boston, Mass., and from the time the morning session was called till the last speaker concluded his remarks at the banquet in the evening everything tended to make the conclave a pronounced success. Maine sent down seven undergraduates who showed that Alpha Tau Omega spirit is at a high ebb at Beta Upsilon. Of course the Tufts Chapter was present in a body and a strong delegation was in attendance from Brown.

At the morning session Prof. Wrenn, Provincial-Chief, presided as chairman with Brother Maguire as Honorary Secretary, and Brother Muligan, of Maine, to do the work. Committees were appointed for the day and in the discussion ensuing it was decided to hold conclaves biennially and to hold the next one at Bangor, Me. In the afternoon session the chapter house scheme was talked over at length and the policy of expansion discussed from all aspects. A committee comprising Bro. Curvell, Beta Upsilon, chairman; Bro. Curtis, Beta Zeta; Bro. Smith, Beta Upsilon; Bro. Jones, Gamma Delta; Bro. Mason, Gamma Beta; and Bro. Young, Gamma Delta; was appointed to arrange for the next conclave.

In the evening the spirit reached a climax in the banquet. "Irrepressible" characterized the enthusiasm and in fact it was sticking out on all sides making it necessary to open the windows before the evening was scarcely under way. Bro. Holmes, of Gamma Alpha, gave a rousing address, as did Bro. Hersey, of Tufts, who concluded the after-dinner speeches with a fine address upon the fundamental principles of good old Alpha Tau Omega. During the banquet Province-Chief Wrenn was presented with a meerschaum pipe by the Gamma Delta contingent. The only drawback to the evening was the absence of Ohas. H. Fenn, Worthy Grand Chief, who was unable to attend. The menu and the toast list follows:

MENU.

Bluepoints in Shell		
Puree of Tomato	Breadsticks	
Celery	Radishes	Olives
Baked Chicken Halibut, Sauce Sauterne		
Duchesse Potatoes		
Sweetbread Croquets and Petit Pois		
Roast Young Vermont Turkey	Cranberry Sauce	
Mashed Potatoes	String Beans	
Waldorf Salad		
Frozen Puddine		
Lady Fingers	Macaroons	Fancy Cakes
Swiss and Roquefert Cheese	Toasted Crackers	
Demi Tasse		

TOASTS.

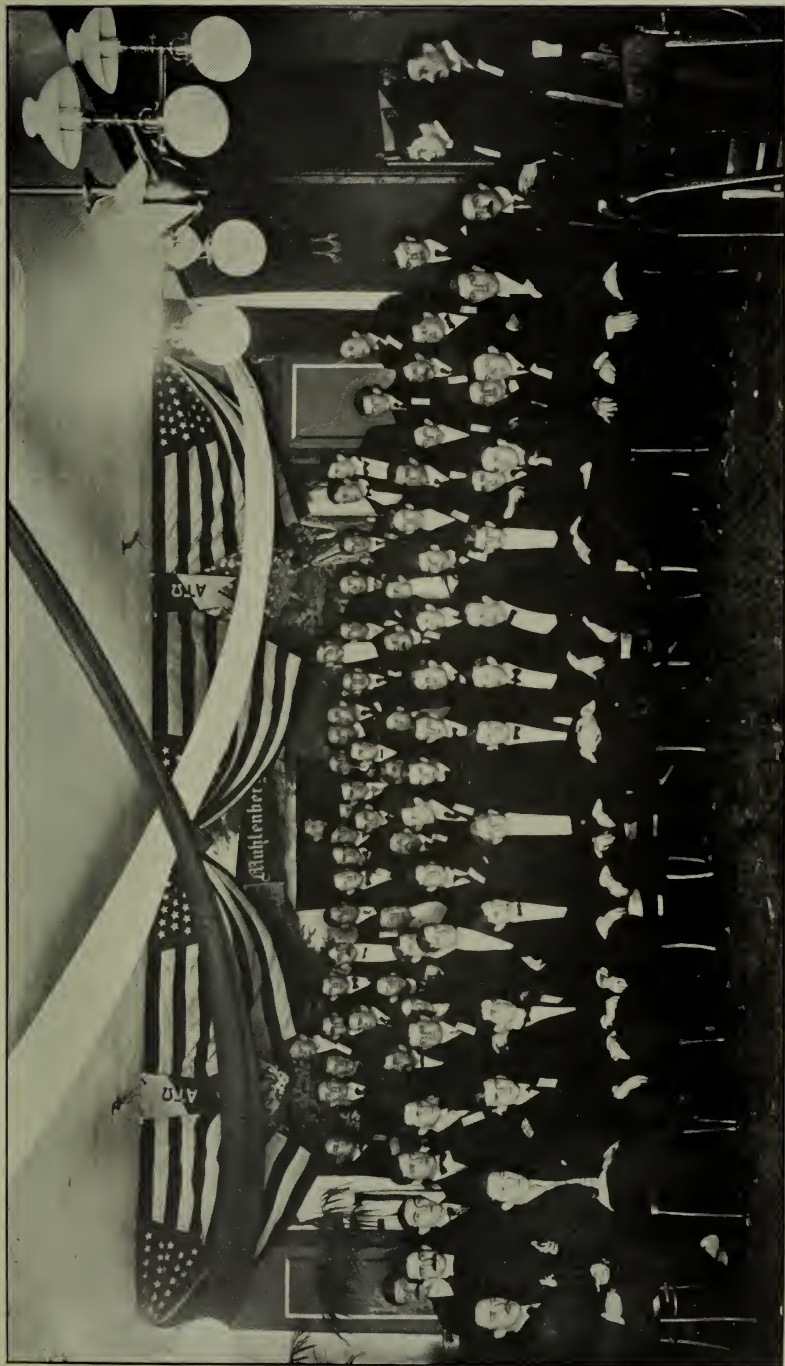
Address of Welcome,	Prof. F. G. WRENN, Provincial-Chief.
Toastmaster,	IRVING L. PRICE.
"Maine Beta Upsilon,"	.
"Boston Alumni Association,"	GEORGE MAGUIRE.
"Maine Gamma Alpha,"	FRANK A. BANKS.
"Mass. Gamma Beta,"	REV. H. A. HERSEY.
Music by Gamma Beta	.
"R. I. Gamma Delta,"	RALPH C. THOMPSON.
"Vt. Beta Zeta,"	RALPH L. READE.
"Readings,"	by BRO. GALE, Gamma Beta.
Impromptu speeches.	

HOWARD S. YOUNG.

THE FIRST CONCLAVE OF PROVINCE V.

THE first biennial conclave of Province V, of Alpha Tau Omega, was held February 22, 1906, in Allentown. The local Order of Elks, with which eighteen Alumni Alpha Taus are identified, graciously offered its sumptuous house, "Antlers' Home," for the entertainment of the guests.

The conclave, with eighty-three brothers in attendance, was called to order at 11.30 A. M., by Province Chief H. C. Connor, of Philadelphia, who at once named as temporary



FIRST CONCLAVE, PROVINCE V—ALLENTOWN, P.A., FEB. 22, 1906.

officers, Max S. Erdman, Worthy Chaplain; Leo Wise, Worthy Usher, and Alfred S. Hartzell, Worthy Scribe. After opening in due form, Ex-Province Chief Leo Wise was introduced, and delivered the address of welcome in which he touchingly observed that the pleasant duty devolved upon him as City Solicitor, by reason of the sad fact that the city's Mayor, Bro. Alfred J. Yost, was battling heroically in the West to regain his shattered health. The response was gracefully made by Bro. E. A. Steele, of Cornell.

On motion, the temporary officers were made permanent, whereupon the chair named William W. Hartman, of Gettysburg; Frank S. James, of Washington and Jefferson; and Robert V. R. Bassett, of Cornell, a committee to draft by-laws and present same at the afternoon session. Dr. J. T. Rugh, President of the Philadelphia Alumni Association, followed by William Sharpe, of the same body, made rousing addresses and were cheered to the echo. The greetings of our esteemed associate, Hendree P. Simpson, of the PALM, arrived at this point and were enthusiastically received. A committee consisting of Ex-Worthy Grand Chief George H. Lamar, Claude T. Reno and Max S. Erdman was named to wire fraternal greetings to the Province IV Conclave, meeting in Boston, and the Ohio Conclave, meeting in Springfield.

After an hour for lunch, the afternoon session convened at 2.30 o'clock, and Ex-Grand Chief George H. Lamar was introduced. With his characteristic forcefulness, he held the eager attention of the conclave at some length. An edifying exposition of his pet subject—chapter house ownership—constituted a considerable portion of his address. The arrival at this point of Ex-Grand Chief N. Wiley Thomas was the signal for another demonstration. When order was sufficiently restored to permit of his being heard, Bro. Thomas entertained the conclave with choice reminiscences and expressed his gratification at the conspicuous evidences of activity within the province. The following telegram was then read from the platform :

SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

Province V, A. T. O., Allentown, Pa.:

Ohio Conclave, Alpha Tau Omega, sends you heartiest fraternal greetings.

(Signed,) SHIVES AND SCHWARTZ.

The chair entertained the following report of the By-laws Committee, which was accorded unanimous adoption by the conclave:

BY-LAWS.

Province V, Alpha Tau Omega.

OBJECT.

The object of the conclaves of Province V shall be to promote the general welfare of the Province and of the Chapters included in the Province, and to submit such suggestions to the approval of the National Congress, the Worthy Grand Chief and the High Council, as pertain to the welfare of the Fraternity at large.

MEMBERSHIP.

The members of the Provincial Conclave shall be any members of the Fraternity within the jurisdiction of said Province. Every member shall be entitled to a voice in the Conclave, but only authorized delegates from the Chapters and Alumni Associations represented in the Conclave shall be entitled to vote. There shall be one vote for each Chapter or Alumni Association so represented. In case of a tie vote, the Provincial Chief shall cast the deciding vote.

OFFICERS.

The presiding officer of the Provincial Conclave shall be the Provincial Chief, who shall be addressed in meeting as Worthy Master. All other officers shall be appointed by the presiding officer, to serve for one Conclave only.

MEETINGS.

The conclaves shall be held every two years, alternating with the National Congress, and shall convene on February twenty-second, continuing in session two days. Should February twenty-second fall on Saturday or Sunday, the Conclave shall convene on the Friday previous. The place of next meeting shall be determined by a majority vote of the authorized delegates present.

AMENDMENTS.

These by-laws may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of all the authorized delegates in attendance at a Conclave.

At the suggestion of Chief Connor, some time was devoted to a discussion of the methods employed in "rushing" aliens, and the conclave at once resolved itself into an experience meeting, the representatives of the several chapters exchanging views and observations upon this all-important subject. Editor-in-Chief of the PALM, Claude T. Reno, was called upon for a report, and after a brief summary of his incumbency, he indulged in an eloquent suit for greater patronage. The fact that he was obliged to employ the next fifteen minutes in notating new subscribers, evidenced the telling effect of his effort.

Another general discussion followed upon the matter of "mock" initiations, looking to the adoption of a uniform ceremony for inter-chapter use. Among those who occupied the floor were Prof. William H. Reese (Muhlenberg) and "Red" MacEllwain (University of Pennsylvania), whose suggestions occasioned repeated outbursts of mirth. On motion of Robert V. R. Bassett (Cornell), a vote of thanks was extended to the Allentown Alumni Association, Pa. Alpha Iota and Pa. Alpha Rho chapters, and the Board of Governors of the local order of Elks for the day's entertainment. A procession of automobiles stood in readiness on the outside, and after adjournment the visiting brothers made a tour of the city and were shown the various points of interest.

A vaudeville smoker was the entertainment provided for the evening session, the committee in charge of the arrangements consisting of Max S. Erdman, Leo Wise, Claude T. Reno, Alfred S. Hartzell, Malcolm W. Gross, Warren E. Bittner and J. D. Smull (Lehigh). The concert room of "Antlers' Home," fitted at one end with a fully appointed stage, reveled in a mass of A. T. O. banners, pennants, streamers and shields; while the significant palm was everywhere in evidence.

At 8.15 P. M., the brothers assembled upon the stage and the conclave picture was flashed, after which the receipt of the following wire was announced :

BOSTON, MASS.

Province V, A. T. O., Allentown, Pa. :

Hundred Taus in Province Four Conclave extend cordial greetings to Province Five.

(Signed,) FRANK G. WREN,
IRVING L. PRICE,
GEORGE MAGUIRE.

The committee was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Gilbert H. Aymar, identified with the management of the Keith circuit, who superintended the professional part of the entertainment. During the performance, a tempting menu was served by the Elks' caterer, nor was there a dearth of divers other accessories which tend to make the average "smoker" an occasion of sociability, if nothing more.

The bill, which included talent from the Keith, Hammerstein and Proctor theatres, was as follows :

OVERTURE, Orchestra.

THE INTERNATIONAL FOUR,

Part-song Vocalists, introducing the Original Newsboy Act.

POLK & COLLINS,

European Banjo Virtuosi.

NEUMAN, THE OCCULT,

In a Melange of Magic and Mental Telepathy.

MISS LILLIAN ASHLEY,

Prima Donna and Refined Mimic.

MORTON & DIAMOND,

Rapid-fire Skit.

GEORGE C. DAVIS,

Monologist.

NEUMAN, THE OCCULT,

In a Scientific Exposition of Divination and Hypnotism.

POLK & COLLINS,

Banjo Renditions of Excerpts from Grand Operas.

At the conclusion of the bill, the boys were led by the orchestra in singing college and frat-songs, and an early morning hour witnessed the final scene of Province V's first conclave—an event teeming with unmistakable evidences of inter-chapter good-fellowship; destined to be fondly cherished in the memories of all in attendance; and—best of all—but the precursor of like events to follow.

A list of Alpha Taus in attendance is appended :

Philadelphia Alumni Association and Pennsylvania Tau.—Dr. N. Wiley Thomas, Dr. J. T. Rugh, Hamilton C. Connor, H. J. Keim, L. K. Lafean, E. R. Snyder, A. W. Way, J. H. Way, W. C. Way, C. S. MacEllwain, L. H. Williams, William Sharpe, F. V. Wonderle, C. H. Williamson.

Pittsburgh Alumni Association.—William W. Hartman.

District of Columbia Alumni Association.—George H. Lamar.

New York Alumni Association and New York Alpha Lambda.—W. W. Moss, J. M. Thompson, H. L. McBain, C. E. Grunsky.

Florida Alpha Omega.—J. C. Jeffery.

Pennsylvania Alpha Pi.—F. S. James.

Pennsylvania Alpha Upsilon.—John N. Hartman, C. C. Hartman, W. B. McClure.

New York Alpha Omicron.—F. R. Crane.

New York Beta Theta.—R. V. R. Bassett, E. A. Steele.

Pennsylvania Alpha Rho.—H. M. Burkey, Jos. E. Baker, Willard Brunner, C. D. Digby, G. E. Fox, H. R. Faison, A. W. Hesse, F. G. Pearly, J. M. Raine, Wallace E. Ruhe, J. G. Smull, M. L. H. Smith, C. H. Wilcox, S. R. Young, J. E. Gomery.

Allentown Alumni Association and Pennsylvania Alpha Iota.—Warren E. Bittner, H. G. Butz, S. G. Beck, Arthur Beck, Solomon Boyer, O. F. Bernheim, F. E. Cooper, E. S. Dieter, Max S. Erdman, M. W. Gross, Geo. E. K. Guth, Alfred S. Hartzell, Rein K. Hartzell, C. H. Hudders, Claude Hoffman, Robert F. Kline, George Kuhl, G. Fred Kuhl, E. O. Leopold, Ralph Metzger, Malcolm Metzger, D. A. Miller, John McCollom, Jr., E. V. Nonnemacher, Claude T. Reno, C. E. Rudy, William Rick, B. F. Rinn, H. E. Shimer, Harry W. Shimer, Paul Semmel, J. L. Stettler, J. S. Schneller, Ralph Schatz, Dr. Harry F. Schantz, P. S. Trumbower, Leo Wise, Ira Wise, M. J. Wertman.

A. S. H.

THE SIXTEENTH OHIO CONCLAVE.

THE sixteenth annual conclave of the Ohio chapters of Alpha Tau Omega was held in the city of Springfield on the 22nd of February, the boys of Alpha Psi being the hosts. These gatherings are always looked forward to for months in advance by the chapters of Province VII.; and the renewal of old comradeships together with the enthusiasm aroused, always affords the greatest inspiration to the brothers in attendance. Indeed the occasion is a veritable "Fountain of Youth;" here we grow young again.

At 9 A. M., Bro. Paul R. Hickok, our Provincial-Chief, called to order the business session in the assembly room of the Bookwalter Hotel. At this time reports were heard from the several officers of the conclave and from the delegates of the Chapters and Alumni Associations represented. These reports uniformly disclosed the progress manifestly to be expected from any association of Alpha Tau Omega and showed all the chapters to be in a most healthful condition.

With the Ohio chapters it has always been a matter of much pride to institute something new at each conclave, something that will in a manner stand as a monument of progress. This year the idea came to Alpha Psi to establish a Subscription Bureau for the PALM in connection with the Ohio Conclave. According, subscription blanks were obtained and an active crusade started to secure a wider circulation for the Journal we all wish to become the best possible. This should make the Editor feel good. A committee for the purpose of redrafting constitution and by-laws for the conclave was appointed. Alliance was unanimously chosen for the next meeting place after a most cordial invitation had been extended by the boys from Alpha Nu. With this the business session closed and the brothers repaired to the Arcade Hotel where a special dinner awaited them.

During the afternoon the boys were entertained at the Grand Opera House. "When Knighthood was in Flower" was the attraction, and, indeed, the production was quite *apropos*: for with the Alpha Taus filling the choicest seats in the parquet, "Knighthood" was truly in evidence when the entire troupe came on wearing the "gold and blue," the boys took the house by storm, but when the curtain went up, disclosing our banner, every one went wild and again and again

Hip, Hurrah! Hip, Hurrah!

Three Cheers for Alpha Tau!

Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!

resounded throughout the house.

Immediately after the theater a reception was held at the chapter house and several hours were pleasantly passed.

College and fraternity songs were indulged in, until all at once some one discovered that it was nearly time for the crowning feature of the conclave.

The banquet was held at the Bookwalter Hotel, with seventy brothers in attendance. The dining hall was tastefully decorated with the fraternity flowers, colors and pennants. An excellent orchestra rendered many pleasing selections. An elaborate menu of eleven courses were served, which having been disposed, all felt that only the flow of sentiment, wit, and humor remained to bring the occasion to a fitting climax. An excellent toast list had been prepared and with Province-Chief Hickok acting as symposiarch, the following program was enjoyed:—

"The Alumnus"	<i>Cleveland Alumni Association.</i>	W. A. KENNEY.
"What is All This Worth"	<i>Alpha Nu.</i>	LESTER L. RUTH.
"A Pipe Dream"	<i>Beta Eta.</i>	G. R. KINGHAM.
"Our Guests"	<i>Alpha Psi.</i>	RAYMOND FREAS.
"Added Worth"	<i>Beta Mu.</i>	JOHN J. DIDCOCK.
"The Barb"	<i>Gamma Kappa.</i>	EARNEST MCKELVEY.
"Looking Backward"	<i>Springfield Alumni.</i>	JOHN B. MCGREW.
"True Ideals"	<i>Beta Omega.</i>	J. T. HOFFMAN.
"Good of the Order"	<i>Founder Alpha Psi.</i>	E. J. SHIVES.

"Uncle" George Schwartz was then called upon and responded in his usual happy way. Harry C. Phillips, founder of Ohio Beta Eta, declared that he had renewed his youth and expressed the hope that his sons would follow in his steps in becoming Alpha Taus. Other brothers were called upon and responded both humorously and otherwise.

It was a splendid gathering, and one long to be remembered. With "Alliance! Ho!" we separated, each vowing that the next conclave should see us present.

R. W. MCKINNEY.

In Memoriam.

WARNER MCCOY BLACKARD,

(Tenn. Beta Tau.)

Born, February 22, 1886; Initiated, 1902,

Died, November 20, 1905.

Requiescat in pace.

WARNER MCCOY BLACKARD.

ON the night of November 20, 1905 the little city of Jackson, Tenn., was saddened by one of the most terrible events in its history. At 7:30 o'clock on that night Warner Blackard, a son of Dr. J. W. Blackard, left his home to attend a meeting of Beta Tau chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega, of which he was a member. He reached the head of the stairs on the second floor of Powell Chapel, where the chapter room is located. Here he was met by a number of his brother members of the chapter. A friendly scuffle ensued and while the fun was at its height Blackard and Hugh Ryals, another member of the chapter, ventured too near the banisters and overbalanced. Both fell fifteen feet to the first floor. Ryals was fortunate and in some way the force of his fall was broken, he escaping with a few bruises from which he recovered in a few days. Blackard, however, in falling, it is thought, struck a radiator. When his comrades reached him, they found him unconscious and his head crushed in by the force of the fall. Medical aid was summoned at once but Warner was beyond the power of mortal help. After struggling in unconsciousness for two hours, the youthful spirit passed over the river, never having returned to consciousness.

Bro. Warner McCoy Blackard was the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Blackard. He was born at Pinson, Madison Co., Tenn., February 22, 1886. His father is one of the foremost ministers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and with him his son lived in several of the larger towns of West Tennessee. In the Winter of 1901 the family removed to Jackson and Warner was at once entered in the preparatory department of the Southwestern Baptist University. He immediately became a universal favorite with both sexes of the students and with the faculty. His unwavering strength of character and his lovable, congenial disposition soon won him a place in the hearts of everyone. So great were the evidences of coming usefulness, that contrary to all previously established rules of the chapter, he was initiated into Beta Tau chapter while yet in his sub-freshman year. He remained a faithful, beloved member of the chapter and a most valued student of the university to his death.

The boys liked him at first because his frank, open, happy manner was irresistible; but as the years wore on they became conscious so gradually that they hardly realized it, that they were associating not only with one of "Nature's Nobleman," but with the owner of a strong mind backed up with a sympathetic insight into human nature which gave promise of developing into one of the strongest in the South. As an athlete Bro. Blackard was one of the best. Already he was beginning to build a reputation as a baseball pitcher; in basketball he was the champion of the college. He was always first and foremost in the outdoor sports and the campus has hardly seemed itself without his presence.

But it was as an orator that Bro. Blackard was considered the hope of the university. In the first month of his residence at the university he united himself to the Appollonian society. His development, especially in the last year of his life was something wonderful along this line. Some of his friends had not noticed the gradual progression and were astonished and delighted when he won the Young medal of 1905 with an oration proclaimed by competent critics as one of the finest efforts ever delivered in Powell Chapel. His

"Dixie" will linger long in the hearts of all who heard it and will always be associated with his memory. He was entered in the primary contest for the State oratorical medal at the time of his death and was looked to by his own society members and the university as the hope of the school in the contest. In the light of his extreme youth, his power in the realm of oratory gave a glorious promise for the future.

But it was not for what he could do that everybody loved him and missed him when he was gone. There is never an orator so powerful that his place cannot be filled; there is never an athlete of such vigor and strength that his station in the college teams can not be bequeathed to another who can fulfill its duties with as much of glory as the one who has gone before—but a friend whose personal magnetism and genial disposition scatters happiness and pleasure all around, is found but once in a lifetime. Such a friend was Bro. Blackard. He has gone from our chapter room and is no longer our companion in our walks and talks—and his absence has left a vacuum which can never be filled. Especially in the chapter work was he the most delightful of friends. His comings were like bursts of sunshine—his goings always left a sweet fragrance of love and good cheer behind. With a jovial word he could still a storm of wrath from some of the older brothers—with a few seeming thoughtless remarks he could throw a glamour of good fellowship over the meeting, which no amount of disagreement could shake off. In everyday life he was easily the most popular student of the university. Of him more than any other the writer ever knew it could be truly said: "None knew him but to love him—none named him but to praise." The most glowing tribute ever paid to anyone, young or old in Jackson, was paid to the memory of Bro. Blackard by the people of the school and city which had beheld the development of the noble nature. On the day of the memorial service the chapel building was filled to overflowing. There was scarcely a dry eye in the room. Old business men who have witnessed the deaths of father and mother without weeping; those who had come within the blessed radiance of his influence but a few times; old and young alike gave way in a tempest of grief. Preceded by the entire

student body, not one of whom but had known and loved him, and followed by a long concourse of his friends in the city, Warner Blackard was borne to his grave in the beautiful Riverside Cemetery in Jackson. As the writer looked upon the mound of earth that covered all that was mortal of the friend who had brightened many an hour of his own life and looked upon the lovely avalanche of flowers which loving hands had placed upon the grave, he thought, as another devoted brother thought under similar bereavement:

"If everyone to whom he did some loving service were to bring a blossom to his grave he would sleep to-day beneath a wilderness of flowers."

GARNETT FOSTER.

Resolutions.

WARNER MCCOY BLACKARD.

HALL OF TENNESSEE, BETA TAU.

WHEREAS, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and Divine Power has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Warner McCoy Blackard, a member of Tennessee Beta Tau chapter, of Alpha Tau Omega, be it therefore:

Resolved, That by the sad accident which caused his untimely death, Tennessee Beta Tau chapter of Alpha Tau Omega has sustained the loss of a loyal member; and we, an earnest, true, and devoted brother, and be it further:

Resolved, That we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved parents, brothers and sister, and relatives, and that our badges be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days, and be it further:

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minute book of the Tennessee Beta Tau chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, that a copy be sent to the bereaved parents, and a copy be sent to the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM for publication.

R. W. WAGSTER,
T. C. CHANDLER,
A. A. PROCTOR,

Committee.



THE ALUMNI.



A. T. O. IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

IN the annual midwinter number of the Los Angeles *Daily Times*, devoted to advertising the locality from which it emanates, the following is said of the Hon. Erskine M. Ross (Va. Alpha), one of the founders of Alpha Tau Omega:

Among the well-known and most highly respected Federal officials of California is the Hon. Erskine M. Ross, Judge of the United States Circuit Court, who was appointed to the position of great honor and responsibility by President Cleveland during his first term in the National Executive Chair.

Judge Ross has been a prominent figure in Western politics for many years, and has an extended personal acquaintance among leading men of the State and Nation. At the time he was appointed to the Federal bench he resigned from the California Supreme Court. During the second term of President Cleveland, Judge Ross was frequently mentioned for a position on the Supreme bench of the United States. In his judicial capacity Judge Ross has more than met the expectations of political and personal friends and no man in the State stands higher in the estimation of the public.

The Judge is past fifty years, but he has the appearance of a man ten years younger. He is recognized as one of the ablest men of fine attainments in the service of the government and eminently qualified in every way to grace any political position to which he may be appointed and to which his eminent legal ability entitles him.



As is well-known by this time Mark Twain's seventieth birthday was celebrated with great *eclat* on December 5, 1905, by a dinner tendered the noted humorist, at Delmonico's, New York, by Colonel Harvey, editor of *Harper's Weekly*. A limited number of the literary celebrities of the day were invited and attended, among them being our own Brother A.

Irving Bacheller, (N. Y. Alpha Omicron) who was not only present, but was one of the very few called up for a toast. Colonel Harvey's introduction and Brother Bacheller response, as published in *Harper's Weekly* are reproduced here as being of peculiar interest to Alpha Taus everywhere :

THE CHAIRMAN :

To induce half a million of people to buy a book whose dominant note is naturalness is an undoubted achievement, but to know Nature herself is perhaps even more desirable. The next speaker fills both requirements. Second only to the master himself (pointing at John Burroughs), there is none who has come closer to nature than he. I have great pleasure in presenting to you Mr. Irving Bacheller. (Applause.)

IRVING BACHELLER said :

If the world's a stage in which every one has a part, there are all too many of us among the supers. Sometimes I have wondered why Mark Twain is permitted to hold the centre of the stage and talk with kings and princes, and delight or dismay them with fine wit, while our business is only to laugh and clap our hands and do the small inglorious errands of the play. He has no uncommon talent as a player. Most any of us, had we his lines, had we his make-up, and especially his wig, could win applause. (Laughter.)

I know a man who saw the stage before he began to play a part—when he stood waiting in the crowded wings for his cue. I am going to consider for a moment that scene upon which he entered. New England and the South were on one side of the stage ; on the other was a new West, and between them one could see growing towns and cities, and ploughs breaking the virgin prairies, and caravans crossing them going West. The play, since the martial scenes of 1814, had grown dull and wearisome. Slowly it was moving toward a tragic climax. In one corner of the stage was a race in chains—in another, a stern-faced people claiming to be free and yet the slaves of a cruel and inveterate tyranny. In this bondage birth was a crime, life a penalty, toil a cure, leisure a peril, and earth a desert with all main roads leading to the torrid zone of eternity. One learned first that he was to blame for the sins of Adam, and next that he was more to blame for doubting it. This puzzling situation destroyed his sense of justice, while toil wore away his strength, and beans and pork and pie fell upon his liver. (Laughter.) He often quarrelled with his neighbor, and his neighbor, having provocation, if no deeper trouble, quarrelled back. A boy was punished by his father and set upon by the devil and scared by the minister and bled by the doctor and deprived of youth by discipline. This last was the greatest offence of all, for a boy without boyhood is apt to be a man without manhood. Later his soul was mortgaged to Satan, his land to the rich man, his body to a large and increasing family. He feared a score of enemies, including himself. He feared everything but riches, knowing, possibly, by some deep and truthful intuition, that the needle's eye would be

broad enough for him. Those days religion was a bit like modern life-insurance—the elect increased their salaries while the general policyholder had only a dwindling hope. (Laughter.) The devil sat in the House of Mirth and corrupted the Legislature. (Laughter.) But, thank God, while we may call it life-insurance for the policyholder, it has proved to be death-insurance for the devil and his friends. (Laughter.) Therein the analogy still holds. In time the people rose against their oppressors. As we see the play in our memories we do not wonder that such a situation of injustice and despair must have its end. The great scene-shifter had begun to change the map of the infinitudes. It would almost seem as if he were moving the old hell out of the future toward the past—that ample storeroom of worn-out properties—and as if, then, it were passing the present. It may be he thought it had served its purpose and was occupying too much room. The ponderous thing seemed to have stuck in the centre of the stage, and the devil and his allies were doing their best to hold it down. Many of the supers began to smile. It may be they were the least bit amused—it may be they were a little weary and longing for more cheerful scenes. Be that as it may, the manager had already found his great comedian.

In the next act we see the sons of the Puritans leave their gloomy home and join the many caravans that are going West. We see them delve and build; we see them forget their kinship to the worm; we see them find gold and something better—happiness—for it is a fact that real American happiness was first discovered in the West. In the open air and the frolic of the camp they enjoyed the belated, careless boyhood of a man. For better or worse they threw off the yoke of the devil's tyranny and declared themselves free and independent. It was a time of great discoveries, and the greatest was this: on the lonely plain and mountain they discovered God in their own hearts, and He spoke to them with a singular and loving authority. Then and there an historic thing happened—every man became his own preacher. If the sermon were not so he didn't have to believe it. We see men learning, that, instead of being to blame for Adam's sin, Adam was at least partly to blame for theirs; that toil is not a curse, but a blessing; that every-day religion is seven times more important than Sunday religion; that fear makes a coward of a man. "God hates a coward" became one of their maxims.

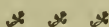
Suddenly a wave of laughter sweeps over the stage from the far left. A young man has come in view, and is telling a story. The saddened spirit of the crowd finds relief and joy in it. They call him to the centre of the stage, and there he has remained, shooting folly as it flew, and filling all hearts with the immeasurable bounty of his own. The crowd began to hustle Satan towards the wings. He voluntarily gave them the considerable benefit of half his salary for two weeks and then resigned. Our comedian scattered the bread of happiness, and dark shadows grew less in the light of his good cheer. Many kept up their policies in the old insurance company, and read Mark Twain for consolation, and wisdom came with humor and courage with

cheerfulness. Now who has not discovered the moral of the great play that heaven may be extended so as to fill the future and the present and leave no room for hell save in the past?

Mark Twain, exorciser of demons, leader in the conquest of the great upper world of fancy, discoverer of eternal youth—when I think of you and of that you have done I am reminded of two lines from Pindar :

“The divinity that dwelleth in these things groweth not old,
Nor can oblivion drown them in sleep.”

(Applause.)



BROTHER WILLIAM C. FITTS, (Tenn. Alpha Tau) is an aspirant for a place in the United States Senate, and his letter to the voters of Alabama, together with the comments of the Tuskegee (Ala.) *News* thereon, is worthy of repetition and preservation here. Brother Fitts manifested his abiding interest in Alpha Tau Omega by serving as its orator at the New Orleans Congress :

Hon. Wm. C. Fitts, of Mobile, has written the subjoined letter to the voters of Alabama. We are glad to give it to our readers. There is not in all Alabama a more splendidly equipped young man than he. For some years he was Attorney General for the State of Alabama, has had many large responsibilities placed upon him, and has always been equal to every trust. If he were sent to the Senate he would be sure to take the highest rank as a debater and committee worker, and would be of vast service to the State and Nation. He has many friends already in Macon County and will command a big vote here. Read his letter and file it away :

MOBILE, ALA., January 11, 1906.

TO THE DEMOCRATS OF ALABAMA :

The State Committee having provided for the designation of two persons who shall be appointed to the Federal Senate in the event of vacancies occurring during the next four years, I announce that I will be a candidate for one of such designations at the hands of the people.

My time is now fully occupied with pressing business and it will be impossible for me to devote myself to this important matter until after the adjournment of the Spring terms of the courts. During the Summer I will make an earnest canvass of the State, visiting, first the few counties in which I have never campaigned for the party ; and after that as nearly all of the others as possible.

I assume that the people will be inclined to indicate, in this connection, two young men of known fidelity to the party and deep devotion to the State, with the idea of obtaining the full benefit of the life work and usefulness of the persons chosen. If selected I will devote myself to further

preparation for the high calling—and when the time comes, if at all, to a faithful discharge of the duties. If defeated the canvass will have given me the opportunity of renewing many pleasant acquaintanceships, and of making a number of new ones.

My effort in this connection will be along a high plane—for if I know myself, love for this State is the dominant sentiment of my life, and I would not have the place unless I give the best promise of usefulness to the Commonwealth.

WILLIAM C. FITTS.



FRANK ANDREWS FALL, (Mich. Beta Omicron) has published "Blazed Trails," being a collection of editorials written by himself and printed during the past year in *West Side Men*, the official publication of the West Side Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association of New York City. This is the fifth of a series of similar works, the others being entitled, "Messages to Men," "Steering Gear," "Quill-Points for Men" and "Life-Lines for Men." Brother Fall is engaged in a noble work and his latest labors abound with so much encouragement, hope and wholesome advice for the young men of this generation and nation that we would they might be accessible to every active and growing Alpha Tau. With this in mind, we propose, with the author's permission, to use excerpts of this, his latest work, in our pages from time to time, as space will permit or occasion require.

In this connection it is well to note that Brother Fall is the composer of the words of a hymn, "St. Catherine," which was first used as a number of the program of the anniversary exercises of the association mentioned above.



BROTHER THOS. G. HAYES, (Va. Alpha) has not yet passed the stage of usefulness to his fellow citizens. Thoughtful and observant men have not even now forgotten his term of office as Mayor of the City of Baltimore, and his employment as one of the attorneys to and in the investigation of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, instituted by the Maryland Legislature, is hailed with satisfaction and approval by the press, as the following clipped from one of Maryland's newspapers, will attest:

The compromise plan for an inquiry into the Baltimore and Ohio's relations to the Washington branch, adopted by the Legislature yesterday, seems to be a good one. It is unfortunate, of course, that its adoption was preceded by a political wrangle, but such wrangles seem to be an inseparable part of our method of lawmaking. As it is, Marylanders may thank the fates that the Investigating Committee is composed, in the main, of the better sort of legislators, and that of the four attorneys chosen, three are little apt to heed partisan influence.

It is particularly gratifying to see the name of Thomas G. Hayes in the list of lawyers. Mr. Hayes knows as much about the relations between the State and the railroad as any man, and he is, besides, a remarkably acute attorney and a thoroughly fair and reasonable man. When he retired from the mayoralty, his fellow citizens lost the service of a public servant whose influence, however much he may have erred at times, worked for the public good. It is pleasant to find him back in harness.

Here's hoping that he will make another army of enemies of the sort he left behind him when he took his departure from the City Hall. The more such enemies a man numbers, the better he is as a citizen.

It is well to remember that Brother Hayes was the first chief executive of Alpha Tau Omega.



DANIEL F. LAFEAN, (Pa. Alpha Upsilon) has served his State in Congress two terms and will probably be elected again. The Philadelphia *North American*, which is never too willing to aid even in the election of worthy men, says the following of our honored brother:

Serving his second term at Washington with credit to himself and the people who elected him, Congressman D. F. Lafean, of the Twentieth District, composed of York and Adams Counties, is virtually assured of renomination by the Republicans. There is good reason to believe, too, that he will be reelected.

This district at the time it was created, a few years ago, was regarded as one of the three in the State that were safely Democratic under all circumstances. When Lafean was first nominated his defeat was generally conceded, as he was known not as a politician, but as a business man. With his friends he proceeded to canvass the district, and to the surprise of his political opponents he was elected by a good majority.

The prevailing opinion was that the newly elected Congressman upon assuming the duties of his office would merely enjoy its honor and not shoulder its responsibilities. Again he did the unexpected thing by giving

official duties his close personal attention. He is one of the hardest working Congressman in the Pennsylvania delegation. His home people have found him always ready to advance their interests.

Besides the solid support of the Republicans, Congressman Lafean has the respect of the good-thinking Democrats throughout the district. Ex-Judge W. F. Bay Stewart, who has been spoken of as a likely Congressional candidate on the Democratic ticket, says :

"I am not an aspirant for Congressional honors. Congress is not particularly to my taste, although I think it is possible I might have the nomination if I sought it. I think I could win against any other man than Lafean, the Republican incumbent, who would be a hard man to beat. There is much that is objectionable in modern politics, and I am not over-anxious to get into the swim."

"It is true there is an opportunity for honest men in public life, but in our district, composed of York and Adams Counties, we have a Democratic rotation rule requiring a York man to retire in favor of an Adams man after two terms, and *vice versa*, and if a man would do good service in Congress he ought to stay there a long time."

Judge Stewart's statement, coming as a testimonial of Lafean's political work, has seemingly thrown a wet blanket over the aspirations of several Democrats toward representing the district in Congress.

Congressman Lafean has given York and Adams Counties the best mail service obtainable. His opposition to the Payne bill, which provides for the importation of tobacco from the Philippine Islands at a reduction of 75 per cent. from the present tariff rate, has advanced his stock of popularity in the cigar and tobacco territory of the two counties. The measure would affect between 6000 and 8000 cigar, tobacco workers, manufacturers and leaf tobacco dealers in the immediate vicinity.

He has expressed himself forcibly against this measure, which would place his constituents who are engaged in the growing of leaf tobacco, the handling of the same, the cigar manufacturers and cigarmakers in direct competition with the cheap coolie labor of the Philippine Islands.

He has recently introduced a bill to offset a movement among a certain element in Congress to deprive the Sons of Veterans of the right to wear their present uniform, patterned after that of the regular service.

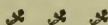


COLLIER'S WEEKLY, for November 11, 1905, contained an article entitled, "Buying Football Victories," which professed to be an exposé "of the unacademic and demoralizing methods employed by athletic directors, coaches, students, alumni, and friends of the six largest Middle-West Universities in their mad chase for victory." Among others, the photograph of Dean T. A. Clark, (Ills. Gamma Zeta) is published

with the information appended, "who knows a grafter when he sees one." The concluding portion of the article is reprinted:

Coach Huff, of Illinois, never had to win at football. Still, to gain victory he says that he has "gone out" after many men. To-day his ethics are changed—changed by defeat. Huff said: "I have always been after the material, and I got it here in the best way I could on meagre resources. I am tired of it now. I never saw a good athlete yet who really wanted to work, and I never yet got one a job that did his work. There are few exceptions to this rule."

In this attitude of confession and resolution—which I am certain is earnest—Coach Huff has the support of one man, the most important man in any college—the man who admits students. Dean T. A. Clark, of the Undergraduate School, is one of the most potent forces in Western athletics to-day, but he does not know it. He knows a grafter when he sees one, and few have gotten into Illinois.



JOHN K. WATKINS, one of the younger, but most loyal alumni of Alabama Beta Beta, is thus characterized in the pages of the *Opelika, (Ala.) Post*:

Among the leading younger members of the legal profession of Lee County, is the gentleman whose name furnishes the caption for this article. Mr. Watkins, in addition to having a good private practice, has for the past four years been the County Solicitor of Lee County. In this capacity he has proven his eminent fitness for public service. John K. Watkins is a native of Tallapoosa County, where he first saw the light of day January 25, 1871. After the usual preliminary public school education at Camp Hill, he attended the Southern University, Greensboro, Ala., graduating from that institution in June, 1893, with the degree of A. B. At once he began the study of law at LaFayette under his grand-father, the late Col. J. M. Oliver, who, in his life time, was one of the leaders of his profession in west Alabama. In 1894 Mr. Watkins was admitted to practice law, and in July of that year took up his residence in Opelika, where he has since resided. Here he has taken a high stand in his profession and is respected for his social, mental and moral worth. Mr. Watkins was fortunate in securing offices with Gen. Geo. P. Harrison, whose invaluable counsel, legal knowledge and sound advice have been of untold worth to the young lawyer.

Mr. Watkins was made County Solicitor in February, 1901, and has proven a most competent officer and is still serving in that capacity and discharging his duties faithfully. He is also one of the city fathers, being councilman from the second ward.

Mr. Watkins is Past Chancellor of Damon Lodge, No. 14, K. of P. Also Past Grand of Opelika Lodge 206, I. O. O. F., and President of Opelika Dam, No. 16, Independent Order of Beavers, one of the best ritualistic and fast becoming one of the strongest fraternal orders in the country.

The future holds in store much of good for this young man and his people will heap yet greater honors on him.

Mr. Watkins is also a member of Opelika Tribe, No. 19, Improved Order of Red Men.

PERSONAL NOTES.

LAMBDA, CUMBERLAND.

Perry S. Robertson was recently elected Mayor of the City of Waxahachie, Texas.

PI, TENNESSEE.

O. L. Lockwood, '04, is assistant engineer on the Birmingham branch of the Southern Railroad.

W. R. Bradley and G. D. Cummings, until lately members of the active chapter, did not return to school after the Christmas holidays, and have now joined engineer corps.

TAU, PENNSYLVANIA.

The engagement of Howard E. Gillaspy and Miss Helen Graves is announced.

ALPHA BETA, GEORGIA.

Bro. Samuel O. Atkinson, of Brunswick, Ga., has been appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia.

Bro. J. E. Pottle, of Milledgeville, Ga., is solicitor-general of the Ocmulgee circuit.

Bro. B. S. Dobbs, '04, has accepted a position with the Sierra Plata Mining Co., Paeral, Chihuahua, Mexico.

ALPHA ZETA, MERCER.

Larkin W. Glazebrook, Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals, was one of the physicians who testified in the Meriweather case before the Annapolis Court Martial.

ALPHA THETA, EMORY.

Frank P. Norman is now on the Macon (Ga.) *Telegraph*.

Claude O. England is located at Augusta, Ga., where he is employed by the Bell Telephone Company.

W. J. Hatcher is now with Hatcher Bros. & Co., Augusta, Ga.

R. M. Holiday is engaged in business with his father at Cottdendale, Fla.

ALPHA EPSILON, POLYTECHNIC.

J. H. Booker, who was at the University of Georgia last year is now at Auburn, Ala., and will remain there until June, when he will enter the West Point Military Academy.

W. W. McMichael is now on the reportorial staff of the Atlanta (Ga.) *Journal*.

PA. ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG.

Dr. Alfred J. Yost, who has gone to Denver, Colo., for his health, is reported to be slightly improved.

Fred E. Cooper is on the staff and a regular contributor to the *Lutheran*, the publication of the General Council of the Lutheran Church of America.

Frank N. D. Buchman delivered a lecture to the students of Muhlenberg College on "The Dangers of a Young Man in a Great City." He is the manager of the Luther Hospice, a mission institution in Philadelphia.

ALPHA UPSILON, GETTYSBURG.

Ira B. Amick, a graduate of the law school of the University of Pennsylvania, has located in Minneapolis, Minn.

George R. Thomas, '05, is principal of the Clearfield (Pa.) High Schools.

A. J. W. Hutton, professor of law at the Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pa., will lecture to the seniors of Gettysburg College on the subject of "Constitutional Limitations," during the Spring of 1906.

ALPHA MU, ADRIAN.

William M. Hamilton, is a broker with office at 851 The Spitzer, Toledo, Ohio.

Frank Ewing, '94, is the general attorney for the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Co., at Pittsburgh, Pa.

James D. Cornelius has a position in the legal department of Westinghouse Company, and is at present located in New York State securing rights of way for an electric line.

Ray B. Morgan, who has established a law practice in Detroit, won an important case before the Supreme Court of Michigan last month. Brother Morgan was recently written up in the *Detroit News* as one of that city's "Eligible Young Bachelors," on which subject a series of articles and sketches have been printed concerning some of Detroit's prominent young men.

Clark A. Anderson, '98-'99, is with the Westinghouse people in Pittsburgh.

Burt Tobias still continues as cashier of the Adrian State Savings Bank, a position he has held for several years.

Harry C. Michener, '03-'04, has a position with the Heinz Company, Pittsburgh.

Howard E. Myrick, '97-'00, formerly cashier of the Atlantic Refinery Company, Pittsburgh, is now successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business in Allegheny.

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ALPHA NU, MT. UNION.

W. T. S. Culp, '87, is making a lecture tour through Iowa.

Dr. Harry A. Marsh, who now resides at Canton, Ohio, has been elected president of the Ohio State Coroners' Association.

F. P. Geiger, superintendent of the Canal Dover (Ohio) schools, is conducting a most successful lecture course in that city.

Ed. L. Robinson, superintendent of the Gareetsville (Ohio) schools, will be an instructor in the Mt. Union College summer schools.

ALPHA RHO, LEHIGH.

A. W. Gaumer is with the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway Co., with offices at Cleveland, Ohio.

ALPHA PI, W. & J.

Howard McDonough, '94, is assistant instructor of chemistry at Washington and Jefferson College.

Arthur B. Loucks, '03, was married on New Year to Miss Nellie Irwin, of Washington, Pa., and thereafter spent a month with his bride in Cuba.

Frank McKeever, '04, is with the Western Electric Co., Shadyside, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Earnest Brooks, '04, is studying medicine at Western Reserve University.

W. D. McBryar and E. W. Marshall are studying law at the Pittsburgh Law School, which is a department of the Western University of Pennsylvania.

ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG.

The engagement of John B. McGrew and Miss Elizabeth Little, both of Springfield, Ohio, is announced. Bro. McGrew is the prosecuting attorney for Clark County.

ALPHA OMEGA, FLORIDA.

C. H. Maguire is in Washington, D. C., as private secretary to Congressman Frank Clark, of the First Florida District.

A. D. Corry is bookkeeper of the Owl Cigar Factory in Quincy, Fla.

C. M. Ourry is filling an important position in Key West, Fla.

Bro. W. K. Jackson is studying law at the University of Virginia.

Bro. A. M. Jackson is studying dentistry in Atlanta, at the Southern Dental College.

Bro. I. M. Simpson is working in the post office in Kissimee, Fla.

BETA ZETA, VERMONT.

Norris D. Blake, '96, formerly with the Asbestos Mining Co., located at Eden, Vt., is now the principal of the Vermont Business College, which is said to be the largest institution of its kind in that State.

Harry B. Macrae is the business manager of a large Indianapolis (Ind.) publishing house.

BETA THETA, CORNELL.

Robert A. Gaw is secretary to the Purchasing Agent of the Post Office Department at Washington.

Harry Lyons, member of the Song Book Committee, is assistant engineer for the Great Northern Railway, with headquarters at St. Paul, Minn.

George A. Post, Jr., is connected with the Sales Department of the Westinghouse Machine Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., being located at their New York office.

Walter V. Gallagher, a lieutenant in the United States Army, has been ordered to the Philippines.

BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE.

E. W. Van Aken, '98, has been elected president of the college section of the Minnesota Educational Association.

J. Weaver, '94, was lately elected president of Lamar College.

Jay Edward Kirby was recently installed as president of Drury College, Springfield, Missouri. Drury College is one of the leading colleges of the West, being under the care of the Congregational Church.

BETA LAMBDA, MICHIGAN.

Clarence A. Fisher, '04, is practicing law in Toledo, O.

Fred A. Sabin, '93, is a successful lawyer in La Junta, Colorado.

W. J. Wallace, '94, is in the furniture business at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Dr. C. C. Williams, '92, is physician for the Baltimore & Ohio, and is located at Niles, O.

Stanley Palmer, '04-'05, is on the reportorial force of the Adrian (Mich.) *Daily Times-Expositor*.

Eli F. Seebirt, '04, is successfully engaged in the practice of law at South Bend, Ind.

BETA OMICRON, ALBION.

W. B. Buck has been elected secretary of the New York State Conference of Charities and Corrections. Bro. Buck resides at Albany and is a prominent and active member of the New York Alumni Association.

Harry Howe and Harold Beal are in business together in Los Angeles, Cal. They issue a weekly newspaper there.

A. Percy Fall, '01, is in Santiago, Cuba, employed on the Santa Clara plantation.

Floyd Allen, '03, is with the Dunham cocoanut people, with headquarters in New York City.

Chas. Smith is the professor of chemistry in the Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Col.

BETA UPSILON, MAINE.

J. A. McDermott, '05, is now with the National Mutual Fire Insurance Company as inspector of factories.

B. M. Cowan, '05, is an inspector with the old Colony Street Railway Company, of Boston.

R. R. Moody, '05, is located at Lowell, Mass., and is the assistant superintendent of the Boston & Northern Railroad Company.

H. C. Loss, '05, is now with the Paducah (Ky.) Traction and Electric Light Company.

L. J. Johnson is now with Olis F. Dorple, civil and sanitary engineers, of St. Cloud, Minn.

R. L. Turner, '04, is located at Berlin, Conn., being employed by the American Bridge Company.

K. P. Porter, '04, now attending the Harvard Medical School, has been appointed to a position in the University Hospital. As there are but six students who are thus distinguished, the appointment is considered quite an honor for our brother.

C. Day, '04, who graduated from Cornell with the class of 1905, is now in the United States Revenue Service.

BETA XI, CHARLESTON.

W. C. Benet is a member of the law firm of Herbert & Benet, of Columbia, S. C.

J. Watier Waring is a member of the law firm of Von Kolnitz & Waring, with offices at Charleston, S. C.

E. C. Lawrence, '05, who is teaching in the graded schools of Barnwell, S. C., has recently been elected president of the Barnwell County Teachers' Association.

GAMMA ZETA, ILLINOIS.

L. E. Robinson is practicing law in Springfield, Ill.

R. W. Elden, '05, recently inspector for the Dolese & Sheppard Co., at Chicago, Ill., has been appointed secretary of the Illinois State Highway Commission, with headquarters at Springfield, Ill.

Walter H. Mueller, '05, is an architectural engineer with the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad at Hoboken, N. J.

Leonard A. Colp, '04, is practicing law in Marion, Ill.

Wm. J. Uppendahl is a physician at Peoria, Ill.

Carl J. Horn, '97, is an architect at Logansport, Ind.

A. D. Mulliken, '00, is city attorney at Champaign.

Dwight F. Haussler is in the furniture business with his father at Centralia, Ill.

Harvey C. Wood is in the advertising department of the *Chicago American*.

Louis C. Moschel, '05, is assistant manager of the Peoria Gunstock Company at Peoria, Ill.

Arthur W. Kirkwood, '05, is in the wholesale department of Marshal Field & Co., at Chicago, Ill.

Chas. H. Demitz is with the Caldwell & Drake Iron Works at Columbus, Ind.

Frank M. Paul is ranching near Faw, Haskell Co., Kan.

Geo. A. Powers, '01, is with the Benton Coal Co., at Benton, Ill.

C. C. Garm is assistant cashier of the First National Bank at Beardstown, Ill.

G. M. Clendendin, '05, is practicing law at Springfield, Ill.

R. E. Townsend is with the C. & N. W. Railroad, with headquarters at Chicago, Ill.

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GAMMA BETA, TUFTS.

Bro. Shaw, '04, is teaching school in Porto Rico. At last accounts "Solly" was getting fat.

Bro. Hill, '04, has entered the political arena and is now a Councilman in Salem, Mass.

Bro. Lunt, '02, is now located in Freeport, Ill., where he is sub-master of the high school.

Bro. Marion, '03, is in the purchasing department of the American Brass Company, of Waterbury, Conn.

Bros. Lowe, '04, and Dodge, '05, are with the Associated Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, inspection department, 31 Milk Street, Boston, Mass.

Bro. Atsatt, '05, is in the Merchants National Bank, of New Bedford, Mass.

Bro. Bodge, '05, is with the General Electric Company, and is located at 316 Germania Avenue, Schenectady, N. Y.

GAMMA THETA, NEBRASKA.

H. H. Culver, formerly the president of the Manila (P. I.) Alumni Association, who has resided in Detroit for the past year, has again taken up his residence in Lincoln, Neb.

Fred Bronn was installed as Judge of Dixon County, Neb., on January first.

F. M. Hoffnel has accepted a position with the Colorado Iron & Fuel Co., located at Denver, Col.

Philip Hudson is spending the Winter in Europe, studying under noted pianists.

The engagement of Lynn Huntington to Miss Helen Streeter, who is a member of the Chi Omega sorority, is announced and the wedding will take place in June. Bro. Huntington is engaged in the governmental service on the Panama Canal.

Claude S. Wilson, of the High Council, was recently elected Potentate of the Sesostriis Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine.

GAMMA KAPPA, WESTERN RESERVE.

Clyde Baer was united in marriage with Miss Laura Cummings, of Cleveland, Ohio, during last September. They will reside at Elyria, Ohio, where Bro. Baer is employed as a chemist.

W. H. Rider, Jr., is the pastor of the First Universalist Church, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Ernest Reece is reference librarian of the Cleveland (Ohio) Public Library.

GAMMA LAMBDA, COLORADO.

J. E. Parker is in the Northwest in the interests of the De Forrest wireless people, and while in Seattle spent much time with our chapter at Washington, who report that his valuable advise has been of great aid to them.

GAMMA MU, KANSAS.

Ray Taylor, '05, is now connected with the Portland Cement Co., in Dallas, Texas.

H. S. Bedelly, '94, is an inspector for Swift's Packing Co., at Kansas City, Mo.

Carl Chapin, '05, was married to Anabel Fraymore, on Dec. 18, 1905. He is now at home at 718 Nebraska Avenue, Kansas City, Kan., and is employed by the Kansas City Northwestern Electric Railway Company.

Will Bailey, '05, is continuing his medical course at the University of Pennsylvania.

D. D. Rider and Miss Florence Campbell, were recently married and now reside in Minneapolis, where Bro. Rider is a professor in the University of Minnesota.

Bros. Jorgenson and Thompson have located in Ladysmith, Wis., where they are respectively president and cashier of the Ladysmith National Bank.

Ray Taylor is the superintendent and general manager of the Idaho Brick Works at Lewiston, Idaho.

Chester C. Jones and Charles Hosford have opened a real estate and loan office at Lawrence, Kan.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS.

BIRMINGHAM.

Birmingham, the congress city has become active and is now engaged in making plans for the coming event. A meeting of the association was held on February 15th, at which the Congress and plans for its successful entertainment were fully discussed by all present. There are about 125 Alpha Taus in the district immediately contiguous to the city of Birmingham and with these as a nucleus the attendance at the next Congress should equal, if not exceed, the sum of five hundred Alpha Taus. Officers for the ensuing year are as follows: W. D. Nessbit, President, Ga. Alpha Beta; Vassar Allen, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, Secretary; Clark Williams, Tenn. Beta Pi, Treasurer. In the next PALM we trust to be in a position to impart some definite information with respect to the great Alpha Tau Omega event of this year.

CLEVELAND.

Since the last issue of the PALM, the Cleveland Alumni Association has met as a body but once. As all matters of business are vested in the Executive Committee, however, the members of that committee have held one or two additional meetings for special purposes. The date of the general gathering was December 18,—the place, The Cave Egregious of the Beef-steak Dungeon, of Finley's Philansterie. This at least was the original plan, but it is matter of congratulation that the "Cave" proved too small and after the regular evening patrons of the restaurant had been ousted, the entire "Dungeon" was given over to the wearers of the Maltese Cross. There were forty-two brothers present, including three who came from Lorain, thirty miles away, to share our fellowship.

It is not necessary to dwell too minutely upon the incidents of the evening for these things do not in general interest the fraternity at large. It is sufficient to say that in the opinion of all it was the most pleasant and most satisfactory informal dinner that the association has ever held.

As the brothers sat down to the banquet tables they were each presented with a copy of the A. T. O. directory of Cleveland, prepared by the secretary of the association. In its blue and gold cover it is a very neat booklet and gives to each brother in Cleveland the present location and occupation of every other brother.

The only feature which bodes ill for the future of the association occurred in the election of officers. By a *vive voce* vote, unanimous except for the nays of the officers themselves, they were all reelected. Coming as this did after the tearful pleas of those gentlemen to be relieved from further duty, it seems to indicate that there are no other members of the association capable of filling the bill. This is indeed a lamentable condition.

The Secretary, H. J. Coates, was elected as delegate to the Province conclave to be held in Springfield on Feb. 22.

Some time in March the annual formal banquet of the association will be held. The date can not be announced at this time as the plans are not fully complete.

H. J. COATES.

DETROIT.

The Detroit Alumni Association—an organization which all Michigan Taus have hoped for since the Blue and Gold was first planted in Wolverine soil—has finally been formed. One of the New Year resolutions made by a few of the brothers in Detroit was this—we will have an association this year. Accordingly invitations were sent on the first turn of 1906, calling a session for the fifteenth of the month, which meeting resulted in an association of permanent character.

Steps were taken immediately to bring the brothers into close fraternal contact by planning a series of social affairs and a dinner which will take the form of a banquet. The constitution provides for annual events of

the latter nature and a "Detroit Smoker" which it is hoped will be a lively reminder of college and fraternity days. In a short time as the members of the association become better acquainted it is hoped that such a reputation for entertainment will be established as will induce the varsity and other state college brothers to pilgrimage here annually for the banquets and smokers.

The following brothers reside in Detroit: J. R. Armstrong, Beta Kappa and Cornell, real estate; Rev. Howard Field, Beta Omicron; Rev. Walter Burnette, Beta Omicron; Ray B. Morgan, Alpha Mu, lawyer; Frank K. Lord, Omega, commercial traveler; J. E. Dodds, M. D., Beta Omicron; J. M. Francis, Beta Delta, chemist; C. M. Hammond, Beta Lambda, expert stenographer; S. L. Houghton, Beta Omicron, insurance; S. A. McComber, M. D., Gamma Delta, physical director, Detroit University School; W. L. Nutten, Beta Kappa, lawyer; George A. Robinson, Beta Lambda, Detroit Board of Public Works; J. H. Smith, Alpha Mu, jeweler; Clarence E. Wilcox, Beta Lambda, lawyer; W. G. Stark, Beta Lambda, electrician; V. C. Snyder, Alpha Nu, with Gem Fibre Pkg. Co. Ray B. Morgan has been elected President and Clarence E. Wilcox Sec-Treasurer. An Advisory Board of five members will be chosen later.

The association extends a cordial invitation to every brother who may chance to visit Detroit to make himself known to any one of the above brothers—and we will do the rest.

C. E. WILCOX.

KANSAS CITY.

Dear Brother Reno:—

Please accept my apologies for the delay in forwarding to you a letter with regard to the Alumni Association, which we have organized.

Last March the track teams of Kansas University and Missouri State University held a Spring meeting in Convention Hall at Kansas City. The brothers of the Kansas chapter conceived the idea of having a banquet at that time, and the idea was carried out most successfully. A number of the alumni brothers were present on the occasion, and the foundation for our Alumni Association was laid at that time. A few weeks later meetings were held and an organization effected. Brother George Nutting of this city was elected Secretary and the writer was elected President of the organization. Owing to the peculiar situation of Kansas City, on the border line between Missouri and Kansas, we decided to have our membership include alumni from the States of Missouri and Kansas. It is expected, however, that before long the State of Kansas will have an Alumni Association of its own, as there are many enthusiastic alumni in that State, and the larger portion of the membership of the association is at present drawn from Kansas.

Last May the association gave an informal dance at Evanston Golf Club in Kansas City, which was attended by something over twenty members of the fraternity. The occasion was very enjoyable, and we hope to have other gatherings of a similar nature in the future.

On Wednesday evening, November 29th, on the eve of the Thanksgiving game between Missouri and Kansas, the association gave a banquet at the Baltimore Hotel in Kansas City, thirty members of the fraternity were present, and many letters were received from alumni throughout Missouri and Kansas. The banquet was entirely informal, but the talks that followed it were all the more enjoyable. Brother Louis C. Ehle, of Chicago, happened to be in town attending to an important legal matter, which he put aside long enough to attend the banquet and make a very enjoyable speech afterwards. Dr. J. Edward Kirby, now President of Drury College, at Springfield, Missouri, was present and made an enthusiastic Alpha Tau speech that quite carried away the crowd. Brother N. P. Burt, an alumnus of Rose Polytechnic, now with the Great Western Stove Company, Leavenworth, Kansas, arrived in time for the third course. Brother Burt was also on the list of speakers. It was a great pleasure to renew the acquaintance of Brother Burt, who Brother Ehle and myself had met at the New Orleans congress, at which he was the delegate from Rose Polytechnic.

Other speakers were Dr. Van der Vries, our Province-Chief; Professor Emerson, from Kansas University; Brother Phillips, now of Manhattan, Kansas; also Brothers George Nutting, Clay Hamilton, Hal R. Lebrecht, M. A. Brawley, Walter S. Hall and Carl K. Chapin, of the Kansas chapter.

There are a number of older members of the fraternity in this part of the country that we hope to have with us when we next get together. Brother James H. McCord, who joined Virginia Alpha chapter in November, 1875, and who is now one of the leading merchants of Western Missouri, lives at St. Joseph, Missouri. Brother Graham G. Lacey, of the class of '79, V. M. I., is another St. Joseph Alpha Tau. Brother Lacey is Vice-President of the Tootle-Lemon National Bank at St. Joseph. We have discovered a number of alumni of the fraternity in this vicinity since our association was organized, and we hope to add to the list from time to time, and trust that no member of the fraternity will locate in Kansas or Missouri, particularly in the neighborhood of Kansas City, without sending in his name to be placed upon the membership rolls of the association.

It will not be out of place, I trust, for me, on this occasion, to say that the Kansas chapter has grown remarkably in standing and influence. It is a chapter that the fraternity can well be proud of. It maintains a high standard of individual merit, and without exception, the brothers of the chapter that I have met are earnest and ambitious, and are bound to reflect credit upon the fraternity.

E. R. MORRISON.

MINNESOTA.

The Minnesota Alumni Association, of Minnesota, sends greeting to all brothers in Alpha Tau Omega and bids them welcome to Minnesota. On the evening of December 15, 1905, fifteen alumni members of Alpha Tau Omega residing in the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis met at the chapter

house at the University of Minneapolis and unanimously decided to form an alumni association in the State, Hon. Page Morris, U. S. Judge, presided and the following officers were elected: President, Bro. Rothrock, (Pa. Alpha Upsilon) of St. Paul; Vice-President, Bro. Page Morris, (Va. Alpha) of Duluth; Secretary and Treasurer, Bro. W. H. Oppenheimer, (Minnesota Gamma Nu,) of St. Paul. The following were named as members of a committee to draft a constitution: Bros. Rothrock; I. B. Amick, (Pa. Alpha Upsilon and Pa. Tau); D. D. Rider, (Minnesota Gamma Nu); H. Lyons, (N. Y. Beta Theta); and W. H. Oppenheimer. This committee has since met and when this is printed a permanent organization will have been perfected.

There are between thirty and forty brothers in Minnesota and with this association we hope to be able to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood and friendship that bind all brothers in Alpha Tau Omega together and by concentrated effort promote the progress and welfare of our fraternity particularly in the Middle West. All visiting brothers will find a hearty welcome and if they will only let us know of the arrival we will try and do our share of the rest.

WM. H. OPPENHEIMER.

TEXAS.

The Texas Alumni Association, after several years of more or less profound slumber has come to life. A meeting of the association was called by Bro. R. E. L. Saner, the President, for November 11th, the last Saturday of the Texas State Fair, at Dallas. No meetings of this association had been held for several years, and so far as its functions as an organization were concerned it had been dormant, although many of the individual members throughout the State have been commendably active and interested in the fraternity cause.

The meeting this year was not as largely attended as was expected, for the reason that the football game between University of Texas and Sewanee, originally scheduled for Dallas on that day was transferred to Austin. Nevertheless the following brothers were in attendance: Jno. S. Patterson, (Tenn. Lambda,) Moody, Texas; Robt. L. Yeager, (Tenn. Beta Pi,) Mineral Wells, Texas; Perry S. Robertson, (Tenn. Lambda,) Waxahachie, Texas; O. C. Kirven, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon,) Corsicana, Texas; R. S. Bowers, (Tenn. Lambda,) Caldwell, Texas; A. L. Randell, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon,) Sherman, Texas; A. M. Barton, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon,) Palistine, Texas; J. P. McCord, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon,) Coleman, Texas; E. R. Brown, (Ohio Beta Rho,) Corsicana, Texas; and the following Dallas brothers: F. E. Shoup, (Tenn. Omega); L. A. Hardie, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon); S. W. Marshall, (Va. Beta); Lewis Wood, (Va. Delta); R. F. L. Saner and Jno. C. Saner, (Tenn. Beta Pi); Ray Taylor, (Kan. Gamma Mu); Geo. J. Trombold, (Kan. Gamma Mu); J. K. McFarland, (Tenn. Beta Pi); and Geo. W. Mitchell, (Tex. Gamma Epsilon).

An informal meeting was held in the forenoon at the office of the Bros. Saner, where the brothers gathered and got acquainted and then scattered to attend the fair. In the evening a very delightful banquet was spread at the Elks Club House, the earlier portion of which was spent in the consideration of business and the latter parts in jokes, stories and informal speeches under the rare and skilful handling of Bro. F. E. Shoup as Toastmaster.

A number of matters were suggested and discussed as objects towards which the alumni of Texas should direct their efforts, and particularly the duty of supporting and encouraging the chapter at the University of Texas. A very thorough report was listened to from Bro. Randell of the condition and aims of that chapter, and a committee was appointed, consisting of Bros. Jno. C. Saner, Taylor and Randell with instructions to communicate to the chapter the lively and earnest interest of the alumni in its welfare and to confer with them as to what the alumni could do to assist the chapter.

It was resolved that every Texas A. T. O. should, if possible, attend the Birmingham congress next year. The following officers of the association were elected: F. E. Shoup, President; G. W. Mitchell, Secretary; and L. A. Hardie, Treasurer.

The banquet broke up at a late hour, everybody pleased not only with this particular meeting, but with the prospect of many even more successful gatherings in the future, for every one present had a good time and will tell others, and in other years when university football games are played here during the fair, as is the custom nearly every year, a much larger attendance is assured.

GEO. W. MITCHELL.

ANOTHER ALPHA TAU!

He gave her a dear little locket.

(Let me whisper, "he wore a Sig. pin")

But now Betty's taken *his* locket

To treasure *my* photograph in.

"R" O. *Alpha Psi*.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

PROVINCE I.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON—ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Just now we are very much interested in our chapter house. Decided steps have been taken in that direction and we are sure it will not be very long before the actual will have been begun. Bro. Will Warren, of New York City, has submitted several sketches and kindly offered to contribute the necessary plans for which we are deeply indebted to him.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Bros. Sam and Will Ellesberry as corporals. Bro. C. A. Dean was promoted from Lieut. of Band to Capt. of Co. "K." We now have two corporals, one sergeant, two 1st Lieutenants and two Captains. Bro. J. M. Poyner was elected business manager of the *Glomerata*, our college annual.

Bro. M. A. Frazer was elected by the faculty to represent the college at the Alabama Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest held at Birmingham in March. We have had this honor bestowed upon Alpha Taus for the past three years.

We regret to announce that Bros. McMichael and Batchelor did not return after the Christmas holidays.

Our chapter is in a most flourishing condition. We have made several additions to the hall greatly improving its appearance.

C. A. DEAN.

ALABAMA BETA BETA—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

At the first meeting after the holidays thirteen brothers answered to roll call—all returned, filled with a new zeal to do more for Alpha Tau than they had done in the past, and, if possible, make this year the best in the history of Beta Beta.

Since our last letter to the PALM we have found another worthy of wearing the "Maltese Cross" and he has been duly (?) initiated into the mysteries of our beloved brotherhood. With this we introduce to the brothers at large Bro. Hayes Howell, of Tuscaloosa, Ala. He is one whom we know will uphold the dignity of our fraternity and fight for her principles whenever they may be assailed.

Bros. Black and Cherry did not return after Christmas and we certainly miss them from our little band.

All of the fellows are down at hard work, and being filled with the A. T. O. spirit will keep up the past record of Beta Beta.

Soon baseball season will be here, and as usual, we will hold regular Frat. meetings on each trip that we make, for we will have at least six men on the team.

We congratulate the Editors of the PALM on its December issue; it is improving with every issue.

F. G. HASTINGS.

ALABAMA BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

On two occasions during October we opened the doors of Alpha Tau Omega, and we take pleasure in introducing the following good fellows: Leroy H. Woodruff, '09, Anniston; Hubert B. Dent, '08, Montgomery; A. F. Gwin, '09, Oxford; N. W. Morrisette, '08, Newbern; Frank S. Daniel, '09, Tuscaloosa; Hume Leland, '09, Tuscaloosa; John W. Bradshaw, '08, Livingston; Carl Shepard, Law, '07, Jasper.

Beta Delta has enjoyed a prosperous year, and it is with much pleasure that we are able to say that the chapter is in its usual flourishing condition.

The football season is over—but not forgotten, we were represented by one of the most formidable football teams in the history of the college. We defeated Auburn, our old time rival, for the State championship by a score of 30 to 0. Our star, Bro. Burke, played left-half to a standstill, he score also captain of the team.

For a long time the problem of making ourselves the owner of a real chapter home has been before us. We now have the plans formulated and a considerable amount of funds in hand. It is a matter of exceeding gratification to us that what has seemed to be unattainable is about to be realized.

Bro. Woodruff is president of the Freshman Class, also a member of the University Glee Club. Bro. Mathews is president of both the Junior Law Class and the Kent Club. On the college weekly, *Crimson-White*, we are represented by Bro. Roy Ledbetter, local editor. Bro. Spratt has been appointed assistant manager of the baseball team. Bro. Dent played star ball in holding down left end on the Sophomore team. Bro. S. L. Ledbetter is president of the Senior German Club.

Baseball is the all-absorbing topic at Alabama now. The prospects for a good team are brighter than they have been in many years. Bros. Burks, Shepard and Mathews will uphold Alpha Tau in this line.

Since Christmas holidays, Bros. J. E. Daniel and Bradshaw have left college; Bro. Daniel to accept a position in a well-known law firm of Tuscaloosa, and Bro. Bradshaw has accepted a lucrative position at Livingston. We regret very much to lose them, for both are true and loyal Alpha Taus and were of the most popular men in college—they intend to return next year.

Among our recent visitors were Bro. F. P. Norman, of Georgia Alpha Zeta, Bro. Wiley, '05, Beta Delta, of Troy, Ala., and Bro. Allen, of Birmingham. We were all delighted to see them again and introduce them to their new brothers. Our Tuscaloosa Alumni are still loyal Alpha Taus and they take great interest in Beta Delta. We always have the pleasure of having some of them to meet with us each week.

W. COOPER WHITESIDE.

FLORIDA ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

Since our last letter to the PALM, Alpha Omega has been flourishing.

David S. Bryan is serving his second term as president of the Jacksonian Literary Society. He and John Carney are the best basketball players in the school. They play on the Junior team. Daniel F. Carleton was pronounced by the coach the best all-round football player in the university. He has gone home now, but will return next year. James Kirk is a Freshman basketball player. He has always been among those who make the highest averages in the school in scholarship. Wyatt B. Martin has half a dozen medals for scholarship as well as for oratory, and he will come up to his usual standard this year. Eugene C. Bryan was assistant manager of the football team this year, and has been elected manager for next year. He is also a Freshman basketball player. A. Clyde Evans has been re-elected president of the "Y" Literary Society. He, with a Kappa Alpha, represented his debating society against the Jacksonian in joint debate. The "score" was unanimous in favor of the "Y" Society. Evans is also a Senior basketball player. He is president of the student body when it meets as such. He is secretary of the Athletic Association, and hopes to make the baseball team as first baseman.

Alpha Omega is going to play "Sherlock Holmes" for the benefit of the Athletic Association. Bro. A. C. Evans has played in the show before so he has been elected instructor and manager, also to be Sherlock. D. S. Bryan is to be Dr. Watson. The play is a good one and we expect much gain.

Our pledged members are three in number. They are R. S. Chapin, who with A. C. Evans has won the team championship of the university in tennis; G. C. Roby is chief musician, and is one of the fastest basketball players in the school. L. D'Olley is a football player, and is known as the jolliest fellow here.

At the suggestion of the A. T. O all the Frats. here have combined to form a German Club. We are anxious to entertain any Alpha Taus that come this way; we can show them a good time.

A. CLYDE EVANS.

GEORGIA ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Alpha Beta passed her thirty-second mile stone on the ninth day of December last, and it is hoped that she will have "many returns of the day." We were unable to have our usual anniversary dance on account of the first term examinations which had just begun, but we are hoping to have a smoker in the near future.

Since the last letter we have succeeded in showing Mr. John Hart Porter, of Augusta, Ga., that his life as an alien was wrong, and on January 13th we had the pleasure of seeing him "ride the goat" very gracefully.

We regret very much that Bro. M. H. Burroughs has seen fit to remain at home after the holidays. He has accepted a position in the post office at Brunswick, Ga.

Bro. Chas. C. Birchmore of the senior law class, has been elected President of the Georgia Law Debating Society.

On the 28th of January last, the university, as well as the State at large, was cast into the deepest gloom by the death of our beloved Chancellor, Hon. Walter B. Hill. He was an honorable gentleman, loved by all the students as no man at head of an institution ever was. He was in the midst of his work of placing the University of Georgia second to none in the country. His place will be difficult to fill.

LEO JOSEPH.

GEORGIA ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE.

It is with pleasure that we introduce to Alpha Taus everywhere, two new brothers, viz.: J. H. Beusse, '10, Blakely, Ga., and Carl Chupp, '10, Lithonia, Ga. We are now fifteen strong. Bro. W. T. Black, of Ala. Beta Beta came to us just after the Christmas holidays, but on account of sickness has had to leave college. Bro. Leo Joseph, of Ga. Alpha Beta favored us with an appreciated visit in December. We are always pleased to have any of our A. T. O. brothers drop in upon us. Bro. W. C. Cooper has been elected anniversary poet of Phi Gamma Literary Society, which will celebrate its sixty-ninth anniversary on March 8.

We have just finished wading through the final Exams. for the Fall term, and have commenced the new term with more determined determinations to so conduct and apply ourselves that we shall reflect credit upon the fraternity we love so dearly. There is no doubt in our minds that we shall have several representatives upon the stage at commencement, and we expect to continue holding our own along athletic lines. We entertain no fear that Ga. Alpha Theta shall be found shivering in the cold.

We are anticipating an enjoyable and profitable occasion at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of our chapter in April. This occasion is of double interest to us, as we are expecting to have the Georgia conclave here at the same time, and are hoping that a goodly delegation of A. T. O's from all the Georgia chapters may attend. Of these matters we hope to say more in our next letter.

WM. L. BRYAN.

GEORGIA ALPHA ZETA—MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Zeta begins its letter by introducing to the general fraternity Roy Smith, '08, Tennille, and S. J. Whatley, '08, Adairsville, both of whom have joined our ranks since last report.

Mercer is entering on a new field of athletics. Basketball is just now growing out of its infant stage and we take on Auburn as the first college team. Coach Hyatt, alumnus of Yale, and coach for University of South during the past season, has charge of Mercer athletics and promises us much in this line. The baseball team has been in steady training in gymnasium since the middle of January and is just beginning practice on the diamond. Prevailing opinion is that we are going to have a winning team this Spring.

We extend hearty congratulations to J. G. Slicer on receiving his new office as Provincial-Chief, and promise him our support and co-operation.

A new dormitory on the campus will add much to the university's interest in a few months. The new building will cost not less than \$50,000, and the contract is to be given at once.

Bro. W. D. Weatherford, International Secretary of Y. M. C. A. for the South, was at Mercer a couple of days in February, in interest of Y. M. C. A. here.

JAMES A. LOFTIN.

GEORGIA BETA IOTA—GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

The old saying that "No news is good news" just about expresses our present condition; for while we are having a fine year and have good prospects ahead, we are leading the simple life of study and—wishing we didn't have to.

Bros. Taylor, McMamara, and Jackson have left college since our last letter to the PALM. Bro. McMamara will probably return next year.

We are going to have a dance in May, and several other affairs, but the June letter will contain the account of them.

J. S. BEANE.

PROVINCE II.

CALIFORNIA GAMMA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

College affairs have opened up with a rush since the short Christmas vacation. Our sixteen men have all returned to continue their work and consequently we are represented in every college in the university. Owing to the arrangement of courses in most of the colleges very few freshmen enter at Christmas, but we have been devoting ourselves to some very promising men still in "prep" school and can vouch for good results.

Bro. McCord, of Alabama Beta Beta, has recently arrived on the coast and enthused us with great Alpha Tau spirit. He is the secretary of the

committee on western expansion and it was largely through his efforts that our new chapter at the University of Washington was installed. We entertained him and a few of the San Francisco alumni at an informal smoker early in the term and the subject of western expansion was discussed at great length throughout a very enjoyable evening. We are all very glad to hear that Bro. McCord is to remain with us permanently here on the coast.

The athlete events being worked up for this term are track and baseball, in both of which we shall be well represented. Bros. Bray, Jones, Fish and Wood are all in training for the track season, while Bros. Miller and Sawyer are out for baseball. Bro. Bullard has recently taken to boating. Bro. Gallaway still remains assistant manager of the associated students. Later in the season we are contemplating the organization of an A. T. O. baseball team with which we expect to do stunts.

Bro. Stines, '05, has just accepted a position in the research laboratory of the College of Mining, while Bro. McMillan, '04, has gone to fill the position of assayist at one of the principal mines at Kinsley. Word also reaches us from Mexico that Bro. Currin has become a Benedict.

CHESLEY BUSH.

COLORADO GAMMA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Gamma Lambda is doing steady, consistent work in this, the middle and sometimes uneventful, part of the year. After the strenuousness of the rushing season, the chapter settled down to do the best work of which it was capable. We feel that our ideal has been realized to a fair degree and that our work has brought results inside and gained recognition outside.

The most important event of the first semester for us was our annual banquet given in the chapter house on December 16th. The active chapter was cheered by the return of a large number of old timers, besides a number of brothers from sister chapters. Neb. Gamma Theta was represented by Bros. Hoffnell, Barry and Holden; N. Y. Alpha Lambda, by Bro. Nichols; Mich. Beta Lambda, by Bro. Sabin, and Mich. Beta Kappa, by Bro. Len. Forty-five Alpha Taus were present, all told. The banquet was a great success. The cigars and toasts were above reproach. Alpha Tau spirit, which ran high at all times, reached its height when the alumni, through Bro. Miller, presented the chapter with two splendid and appropriate gifts, the one a beautiful copy of a portion of the Parthenon Frieze entitled "The Training of the Athenian Youth," and the other, a tasteful and substantial settee. Both gifts now adorn our front parlor, and testify to the loyal support of our alumni.

We have lately had the misfortune to lose three men: Bro. Wilson being temporarily called away by illness in his family. Bro. Pearce being compelled to leave us for the remainder of the year because of ill health, and Bro. Parker being drawn away by an attractive business opening in Seattle, Wash. We feel severely the loss of these loyal and hard-working brothers.

The breaks in our ranks, however, are partially filled by a new pledge, Richard Carey, of Niagara Falls, N. Y. We are sure we have secured a prize in "Dick" and will be glad in the near future to present him to the fraternity as a full-pledged Alpha Tau.

On Monday, January 29th, we held one of our frequent spreads. With the tables so placed that all the brothers were facing one another, every man was called upon, in turn, to speak—to suggest improvements where necessary, and to boost the chapter and fraternity all the time. The toasts were followed by songs, and when we finally dispersed in the wee small hours of the morning, we felt that fraternity spirit had reached its highest possible pitch. The beneficial effects of the meeting were so manifest to all, that it was moved and unanimously carried that the hours from ten to twelve every Monday night be reserved for similar gatherings. We are sure that nothing gives us quite so much pleasure, and nothing quite so much spirit as these frequent and enthusiastic meetings, where we boost the fraternity, and pledge ourselves to better work in her behalf.

We have in mind several informal social "stunts," which we except to run off in the near future; one, an informal dance; another, a masquerade dance; and a third, a smoker for the men of the university. We are fully determined that these shall be up to our standard, and are working accordingly.

WILLIAM R. KELLEY.

LOUISIANA BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

The Winter term is almost over—for the half-term Exams. begin on February 15th—and Louisiana Beta Epsilon has prospered as usual. The chapter has pledged seven men for next year, and it goes without saying that they are the flower of the preparatory school material.

Our annual dance was given at the Tulane Refectory, on February 2nd and it was a huge success. The hall was beautifully decorated with Alpha Tau colors, and the same scheme was carried through with the favors. Palms lined the sides of the hall and in one corner was a refreshment table which was under a bower formed of branches of great palms with gray moss woven around the leaves. Here, too, old gold and blue were used in decoration. White tea roses were much in evidence, and the dance programs were blue, engraved with a badge in old gold which had Louisiana Beta Epsilon in crescent form beneath it. About forty couples danced the cotillion which was led by Bro. Gillert Dupre.

Bro. Charles Armstrong and Bro. Donald Gannon have been re-elected to the positions of President and Secretary of the Junior German Club for the next term.

Bro. Lucien Lyons has been elected to the position of assistant manager of the track team, and is on the *Jambalaya* editorial board.

Bro. Watts Leverich, Junior Law, is on the editorial board of the *Olive and Blue*. He has recently become a member of the IV Law Club.

Bro. George Janvier will probably be at the Law School next year, and the members of the chapter will be the gainers in having such an enthusiastic Alpha Tau with them once more.

Bro. Chauncey Butler was married recently to Miss Katherine Dillard, daughter of Dr. Dillard of Tulane University. Louisiana Beta Epsilon offers heartiest congratulations.

LUCIEN E. LYONS, JR.

TEXAS GAMMA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Since our last letter we have initiated Walter Giesen and Wallace Tobin, both of Austin, Texas. After the initiation, a banquet was served at the Driskell. Besides the initiates and the members of the chapter, covers were also laid for Bros. Garwood, of Houston; Byrd, of St. Louis; and Gregory, Bremond, Vinson, Watts, West and Rector all *fatres in urbe*.

We have just received a letter from W. L. Radney, of Huntsville, stating that at a meeting of the alumni held in Houston last December, a movement was started for the erection of a chapter house at the university. We have nearly 300 alumni in the State, and with some one to take the matter up and push it, there is no reason why we should not have a chapter house until Fall.

Brother Giesen has been appointed Chairman of the final Ball Committee. Brother Burney is a member of the Hall Committee. Brother Byrd, '03, who is now located at St. Louis, visited the chapter last month.

We have put the new men to work, and at every chapter meeting they are required to read a certain portion of the secret work. The brothers are taking a great deal of interest this year, and we are moving along splendidly.

G. M. COX.

PROVINCE III.

ILLINOIS GAMMA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The beginning of the second semester finds Gamma Zeta in a most prosperous condition. Since our last PALM letter we have initiated four more men: J. Foster Held, '09, Lacon, Ill.; Walter J. Sharkey, '09, Chicago, Ill.; J. Lloyd Jones, '08, Bradford, Ill.; Dr. H. L. Rietz, Urbana, Ill., and take great pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity at large.

During the last two months we have had visits from Bros. Carl Horn, Boudinot, Elden, Maurice Eisner, Chas. P. Hunter, John C. Coleman, Chas. E. Warren, R. E. Townsend and A. W. Kirkwood, of our alumni, and G. C. Davis, of Ohio Alpha Psi.

We feel proud of the fact that Bro. Harry N. Gridley has been elected a member of the honorary law fraternity, Theta Kappa Nu.

The plans for our new chapter house are now in the hands of Architect Blackall, of Boston, and we expect to begin building by the first of April.

Our 11th annual party will be held April 27th, on which occasion we hope to have as many of our alumni back as possible.

We lose three of our members with the close of the semester. Bro. Lester Rein has completed his course. Bros. J. D. Wagoner and Sam Mitchell will be unable to continue their work until next Fall.

Delta Upsilon was installed at our university in December last. Also the Alpha Psi Delta Sorority was recently installed. There are now a total of thirteen fraternities and six sororities at Illinois.

The 3rd annual inter-fraternity bowling tournament will soon begin its series, in which Gamma Zeta expects to hold its own.

Two new university buildings have recently been dedicated, namely, the Women's Building and the Insectary. Also the contract has been let for a new Auditorium.

Our second alumni letter of this year will be sent out in a few days.

JOHN J. DAVIS.

ILLINOIS GAMMA XI—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Illinois Gamma Xi takes this, her first opportunity of wishing all her sister chapters a prosperous and pleasant new year. It seems after reading the chapter letters in the December issue of the PALM, that Alpha Tau was very successful everywhere in the securing of freshmen. Here at Chicago Gamma Xi secured her share of the much sought for but afterwards much abused freshmen, and on January 25th held their annual initiation. We now take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large the following new brothers: Sherman William Finger, Chicago, Ill., full-back on the Freshman football team; Frederick Russell Handy, Sodus, Mich., guard on the Freshman team; Charles Earl Latchem and Raymond Lee Latchem, Washington, Ia.; Rudolph Duiker Joldersma, Fulton, Ill., Freshman track team; and Eugene Tullius Lippincott, Lima, Ohio, Law, '07. All the new brothers have thrown themselves into the work of the fraternity, and have shown that they possess the true A. T. O. spirit.

On account of the death of our President, William Rainey Harper, there have been no social gatherings in the university this quarter, and the Pan-Hellenic dance has been called off.

Gamma Xi has endeavored to entertain during the past months the following brothers: Bro. Van der Vries, Provincial-Chief; Bro. Way, Pennsylvania Tau; Bros. McGill and Smith, Indiana Gamma Omicron; Bro. Whitehead, Indiana Gamma Gamma, and Bro. Jorgenson, Minn. Gamma Nu. We have also received visits from many alumni passing through the city.

With the advent of the new year a successful attempt has been made

re-organize the Alumni Association of the city. Two dinners have been given at down town restaurants, and at both there was an outpouring of both old and young Taus. At the last meeting officers were elected for the ensuing year, and the treasury given a small boost upwards. Bro. Dunning, of Ill. Gamma Zeta, was elected President, and Bro. L. F. Parton, Secretary and Treasurer. Bro. Parton may be reached through the *Chicago Tribune*.

Any brothers passing through the city are earnestly urged to give Gamma Xi a visit. Our doorbell doesn't ring, but the door is always unlocked for Alpha Taus.

PAUL W. ANDRUS.

INDIANA GAMMA GAMMA—ROSE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

With the March issue of the PALM, Indiana Gamma Gamma finds herself entering actively upon her second school term, with very promising prospects for the future.

Although at present our number is somewhat small, there being only seven of us, still we have one man pledged, whom we will initiate very soon; and, as there are no seniors among us, we will not lose any men by graduation next June.

Since the holidays we have enjoyed visits from Bros. Bowles and Johnson, of Michigan Beta Lambda, and Bro. Brown, of Illinois Gamma Zeta.

Bros. Lock and Hood, alumni of Tufts College, have been located in this city during the last few months, and it has been a great pleasure to have them with us.

As our Spring term commences, a renewed interest is being shown in athletics; and in this, as well as in all other branches of college life, Alpha Tau is to take part. We will be represented on the diamond by two of the members of last years ball team; while Bro. McDaniel, as manager of the track team, is arranging for some very interesting meets.

A. D. SCHOFIELD, JR.

INDIANA GAMMA OMICRON—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

With the close of the first semester's work at Purdue and at the opening of the second, Gamma Omicron shows herself to be maintaining the high standard with which she started at the opening of the school year in September. Throughout this time we have maintained a chapter roll of 17 men and will have increased the same to 21 by the first of April.

Three of our old men will leave us in a short time to accept engineering positions. They are Bros. Kothe, Meldram and Magill. The first two have expressed their intentions of returning next Fall, and will be with us from that time until graduation in June.

Since our last letter to the PALM, we have pledged H. W. Hobbs who has

entered the university at a special course now. Hobbs is a graduate of Earlham College and for three years captained the football team of that school.

We also have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity at large Bro. L. C. Smith, '08.

In a social way, Gamma Omicron has been more active than at any other time during her existence. On November 20th, we entertained at a formal party given at the Lincoln Club. Besides all members of our chapter being present and a number of out-of-town guests, we had with us Bros. Newnam, Bragg, Rogers, Bridges and Morgan of our alumni. It is sufficient to say that the party was a decided success and the presence of our alumni brothers aided in making it such. It is always a pleasure to have our old men back with us as much as possible, as it serves to keep up an acquaintance between present and past members of the chapter.

We are fortunate in being able to hold informal dances at our chapter house and have given quite a number during the last few months.

In regard to present conditions at Purdue it can now be said that the enrollment has passed the two thousand mark.

The Civil Engineering Building is rapidly nearing completion and will be occupied by the C. E's in a short time. A new Chemistry Building is soon to be erected, and as soon as the weather permits, ground will be broken for it.

Plans for the Memorial Gymnasium are under way and work will begin as soon as the drawings are complete.

In athletics the prospects for successful baseball and track teams are encouraging.

In closing, I would say that Alpha Tau Omega has held her own in all respects and present indications point to a most successful year.

D. R. LINDLEY.

IOWA BETA ALPHA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Iowa Beta Alpha has recently pledged two new men, whom we are very glad to introduce to the fraternity at large: Will Hullinger, '09, Clinton, Ia.; and Foss O. Heaton, '08, Shannon City, Ia. Hullinger is an accomplished musician, and Heaton won the freshman scholarship prize last year.

Our chapter is prominent in basketball this season, having many representatives on the class team and two on the 'varsity.

Sleigh rides, bob rides, etc., have made our hearts rejoice these fine Winter nights, and the oyster suppers that follow make our old house ring with merriment. We, who are at the house, are indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Ardo McLaughlin for one very enjoyable evening of this sort.

Bro. Merrill Holmes was chosen by the faculty as one of the three Simpson delegates to the Nashville Missionary Convention. Bro. Holmes

won a place on the 'varsity debating team, recently. Alpha Tau also holds the oratorical honors of the college this year.

This is the first term we have had our own table at the house. We have found that we long less fervently for those dinners mother used to make, and since our board is not expensive, we can't help wondering how we ever stuck to the old "hash chewing joints" so long.

We plan to keep open house to alumni sometime about commencement week, and hope to have many of them down.

Ed. Grafton, Cambridge, Ia., whom we have not before had the opportunity of introducing to the fraternity, was compelled to leave school soon after the pledging to undergo an operation for appendicitis. The operation was successful and we expect to have him with us again soon.

Your correspondent offers his apologies for not having before announced the advent into this world of Joseph Clark Read, son of Bro. Wm. B. Read. Joe is now a bouncing boy of mathematical tendencies and the pride of his dad's heart.

FRANK L. MOTT.

KANSAS GAMMA MU—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The new year finds us in excellent shape. The rushing season over, we are now occupying ourselves with less strenuous pursuits, but we have not as yet fallen into the rut of the simple life.

By keeping our eyes open we have picked up some fine men who were overlooked early in the year. We have lately pledged two good men and have also initiated Harry Doderidge, of White City.

Bro. Lee Clark, '07, has returned again, and like the rest of us done credible work during the school term.

The chapter gave a farewell banquet to Miss Lucreta Hart, a member of the Pi Beta Phi Sorority. Fifty-two persons were present at the house where the said affair was given.

The fourth anniversary of the installation of the chapter was duly celebrated by a banquet on Thanksgiving evening at the Baltimore Hotel, Kansas City, and was attended by about thirty-two brothers, including many of the alumni, among them Bro. Ehle, of Chicago, Bro. Kirby, President of Drury College, Missouri, and our Province-Chief, Bro. Van der Vries.

J. W. BARTHOLOW.

MICHIGAN ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

Since the last letter to the PALM, Alpha Mu has initiated two candidates whom we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large. They are James R. Mayall, Foosland, Ill., and Paul B. McConnell, Steubenville, Ohio. Both men are very prominent both in the classical and social departments of college life, and are men the chapter considers itself very fortunate in securing.

The chapter still continues to be well represented in all the departments of the college. Bro. Riley is President of the Dramatic Club and also of the Lambda Phi Literary Society. Two of the chapter are members of the basketball squad and the showing by the men in preliminary baseball practice will insure three of them places on the nine this Spring. The chapter is also better represented on the *College World* staff.

The chief social event indulged in by the chapter during this season was the party to the girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Tri-Delta on the evening of February 14th.

The Alpha Taus who accompanied the basketball team to Detroit, December 7th, were entertained by Bro. Ray Morgan at his apartments on Willis Avenue.

As next June marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of Alpha Mu, preparations are being made for a quarter centennial celebration. It is hoped that all alumni of the chapter will be present.

F. GRAY.

MICHIGAN BETA KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

The last quarter has been a term of much profit to Beta Kappa. Good fellowship and congeniality, always strong within the local group now marks the relations of inter-fraternity life in Hillsdale, and although the chapter was compelled by a desire of remaining free from any binding obligations to turn down a faculty proposition, requiring all Greeks to first become members of local literary societies, the spirit of the proposition having always been one of Beta Kappa's foremost principles and she lost nothing of the good will and proposers. All other fraternities in Hillsdale bound themselves to the proposition.

The new men who were introduced last quarter to readers of the PALM have all proved themselves worthy wearers of the gold and blue. One of them, Lewis, pulled the oratorical prize of his society. Another, Stevenson, was made by faculty appointment assistant editor of the College paper, the *Collegian*. This is a very unusual honor for a Hillsdale freshman.

On the 20th of January, with chaperones and lady friends, the boys of the Hillsdale chapter enjoyed a ride by rail to the home of Bro. Colvin, of Beta Mu, in a neighboring city, and there revelled in the hospitality of a true Alpha Tau. Beta Mu may be the home of Bro. Colvin, but Beta Kappa has adopted him, and no face is more welcome within our chapter walls than that of this brother.

Beta Kappa still holds her own in athletics. Bro.'Hogan being captain of the baseball team, and Bro. Myers of the track team.

Beta Kappa is preparing to send a large delegation to the State conclave at Ann Arbor. The biennial session being held during the next coming quarter.

F. PARKER KNAPP.

MICHIGAN BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The opening of February finds Mich. Beta Lambda hesitating between thoughts of midyears and the Annual Junior Week, which follows: Bro. Bowles is chairman of the chaperone committee, for that event at which we expect to be represented by eleven men.

On January 19th, we initiated Roy Clark, Eng., '08, Youngstown, O., William R. Barney Dent, '08, Charlotte, Mich. Bro. Barney has been chosen President of the Freshman Dental Class.

On the evening of January 29th, we pledged Harry Eugene Bird, of Youngstown, Ohio.

Phi Kappa Sigma has recently been added to the list of chapters in the university.

ROBERT M. WADSWORTH.

MICHIGAN BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE.

Mich. Beta Omicron opens the second quarter under the most favorable circumstances. Ten active brothers were present at the first meeting of the term. We are sorry to report that Bro. Gerry Hess is unable to be with us during the remainder of the year, but Bro. Bert Wilbour returned to us at the beginning of the Winter term, leaving our number, ten, unbroken.

We have been very fortunate in pledging two new men, Clifford Smith and Sherwood Smith, both of Albion, making a total of five pledgings.

Bro. Mark Fall has been elected a member of the Chemical Club. Bros. Floyd Blair and Charles Yokom have just been elected into Erosophian Society. Bros. Cluff, Hess and Pryor also belong to this exclusive "Frat." literary society.

Bros. Blair, Yokom, Fall, Pryor and Leonard are candidates for track team honors.

Beta Omicron gives its annual St. Patrick's Day banquet as usual this year.

Bro. Arthur Dupree recently spent a few days with the chapter. We are always pleased to receive visits from our alumni brothers or any wearers of the Maltese Cross who may come our way.

The College Athletic Association just received a medal from the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, as an award for exhibiting there lay cup that was won by Albion six years out of the ten that it was contested for in the M. I. A. A. A majority of the men on the contesting teams have been members of our chapter.

ARTHUR C. CLUFF.

MINNESOTA GAMMA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The first semester of the year has just ended and the men of Minnesota Gamma Nu have weathered the storm of Exams. very successfully.

Our new home makes the fraternity life much more pleasant and also gives us a chance to entertain better than formerly. We have had the honor and pleasure of a visit from a delegation of our brethren from Neb. Gamma Theta at the time of the Nebraska game. Bro. Coombs was in town a week in November and told us of the old days at Brown and stories of the actor's life, and what was best of all, sang for us at the house. Bro. Amick (Penn. Tau,) is in the lumber business in Minneapolis and favors us with casual visits. Bro. Lyons, of Cornell '99, is with the Great Northern in St. Paul. Bro. Oppenheimer has started to organize an Alumni Association here in the Twin Cities, and by the time the next PALM appears we hope to give a write up of the organization of the Twin City A. T. O. Alumni Association.

Our banquet comes on March 8. Any A. T. O's will be very welcome here at that or any other time.

P. D. SOUTHWORTH.

NEBRASKA GAMMA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Midyear Exams. are now over and the fellows are happy. Gamma Theta is still holding her own and second to none. We now have an enrollment of fifteen members with four more to be taken in in a few weeks. Our initiates since the last letter, are brothers Ronald Corkling, '09, Tekawah, Neb., and Ray Rainbolt, '08, Lincoln, Neb. Our pledged men are Ward Smith, Livingston, Mont.; Frank Hudson, Lincoln, Neb.; Charles Campbell, Fullerton, Neb.; and Frank Weller, '09, Stella, Neb. All of these men are of the best material and will help much in developing the future of Gamma Theta.

Of all the good times Gamma Theta ever had there is one that eclipses them all. On Nov. 10th the entire chapter of Colo. Gamma Lambda, accompanying the football team, visited us and a better bunch of fellows we never wish to meet. We were sorry that they couldn't have stayed longer and earnestly hope that Gamma Theta and Gamma Lambda may meet again.

Last month we were pleasantly surprised by having Bro. Carnalson, '01, drop in on us. He is a practicing attorney at Freeport, Ill., but in spite of the fact that he has not been much in touch with A. T. O. in the past few years he was as enthusiastic as a freshman.

Bro. Harold Corkling has been elected to Sigma Tau. (Engineering.)

Bro. Percy Metz has been elected to Phi Delta Phi. (Law.)

Bro. Sprague will be Gamma Theta's representative in the Pan-Hellenic congress.

Bro. West visited us the last month. He is practicing law in the Basin in Wyoming.

We received a visit, not long ago, from Robert DeLand of the University of Washington. He was not in school last semester but was "making tracks" for Washington so that he might be initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Tau with the new chapter lately installed.

We have at least one brother who is a bright and shining light, Bro. Hollingworth being lately elected to the Nebraska Academy of Sciences and the only undergraduate ever receiving this honor. The paper he read before them was, "A Study of Reflexus."

Bro. Harold Corkling left the 5th of this month for Tie Siding, Colo., where he enters the employ of the Burlington Railway Co., as level-man. He will be back in school next semester.

J. R. CALEY.

WASHINGTON GAMMA PI—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

It is a source of great pleasure for this baby to make its first squall in the quarterly, but I must introduce myself, as did my brother correspondent from the University of Florida in the December PALM. I am a freshman and have only been an Alpha Tau two weeks. My name is Fred M. Crollard and I am from Wenatchee, Wash., although most of my life, up until three years ago, was spent in Washington, D. C. Let me also introduce our men :

Brother Crim was center on the football team throughout the season and had the honor of making a touchdown in the Sherman-Indian game—a thing unheard of in Northwest football. In the election for captain Bro. Crim received the unanimous vote of the players. He will try for a position behind the line next season. Bro. Lemuel Crim was captain of the second team throughout the past season.

Bro. Scatcherd, '08, received a "W" for last Spring's work in baseball and will turn out again for practice this season.

Bro. Nelson, '06, is still holding down his assistantship in Zoology with great credit. He was made a very flattering offer of an instructorship in science in a large high school as a recognition of his services at the university but refused in order to graduate with the class of '06.

Bro. Fischer, '06, acted as accompanist on the Glee Club tour and earlier in the season took part in an organ recital given by J. Edmund Butler, organist at Trinity Episcopal Church. He has just been appointed organist at the First Baptist Church.

Bro. Parker, '07, was elected President of the Stevens Debating Club. He was a member of the team which debated the University of Oregon team last year at Eugene, Oregon.

During the interim of resignation and the new election, Bro. Lindsay has been acting as President of the Y. M. C. A. With Bro. Parker as Treasurer, this chapter is quite well represented in the Y. M. C. A. cabinet. This fraternity, we are proud to say, has been the first to invite the cabinet to hold one of its meetings at the chapter house.

We have been delighted with a visit from Bro. "Pence" Parker, of Colorado Gamma Lambda, who is just at present in the city of Seattle working for the De Forrest Wireless Telegraph people. He has been giving us many pointers on the why and how of chapter house life.

On the recent tour of the Glee Club, Bros. Wilkinson, '09; Randell, Law, '06; Fischer, '06; Lemuel Crim, '08; and the writer were members of the organization. We had a delightful visit with our alumnus Bro. Taylor, Principal of High School, at Prossee, and with Bros. Van Brundt and Helton, of Illinois Gamma Zeta in North Yakima.

Brother Thomas has turned out for training in rowing and is making a very creditable showing. Bro. Crim, who was a member of last year's crew, will not turn out again this year on account of his stiff course.

We are proud to say that our university has grown so fast that it is almost too crowded for attendance. Last year the total enrollment at the end of the year was 811. Up to the close of the first semester the registration was 1002. Already over one hundred new students have registered for the second semester so that it is expected that our registration will total 1150 before the end of the year. We doubt if any other institution can show as great an increase. The Federal Government has just established a timber testing station at the university like those at Purdue University and the University of California. Professor Thieland, of California, has been appointed by the Bureau of Forestry to take charge of the work. With his coming the total faculty exclusive of assistants numbers 65.

Our chapter is in receipt of numerous letters of congratulation from other chapters and these letters express the spirit of Alpha Tau Omega better than we can say. These letters are read and re-read with eagerness and the secretary is kept pretty busy answering them.

A recent communication from President Kane to the effect that in the matter of scholarship our chapter made as good a record the first semester as any Greek letter society in college has served as a recognition of continued struggle along these lines.

Our chapter will be delighted to exchange university pennants with other chapters. Send on your pennants and we think we can send each of you in exchange one of the prettiest pennants in America.

FRED M. CROLLARD.

PROVINCE IV.

MAINE BETA UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MAINE.

The present year at the University of Maine has been so far and promises to continue to be the most successful in the history of the institution. In all branches, college activities have broadened this scope and risen in prominence. As usual Alpha Tau Omega has maintained its high place here at the university.

On coming back this Fall, football first claimed our attention. Bro. Burleigh played right end. Bro. Miner quarterback on the 'varsity. During the last of the season Bro. Boyle played substitute fullback. At the close of the season Bro. Burleigh was elected captain of next seasons team. Bro. Miner made the All-Maine quarterback position and was also captain of his class team.

The basketball season is in full sway at present. Alpha Tau is represented by two men on the 'varsity. Bro. Stuart is playing right guard and Bro. Morrison is playing forward.

The track team this year is managed by Bro. Williams.

Baseball practice has begun in the cage and we have six men trying out for the team who are carefully looked after by Assistant Manager Bro. Miner. An attempt to make Lackey one of our regular sports here has resulted in three Frat. and one non-Frat. teams being formed. Our own team has to date played three of these teams, each time winning by a good margin.

Bro. Banks is President of the Athletic Association.

In the musical clubs Bro. Boyle is assistant leader of the Glee Club. Bro. Morrison was also on the Glee Club the first of the season, but gave it up to play basketball. Bro. Miner plays in the band and is assistant manager of the same.

Along several lines Bro. De Coligny is floor director for the three University Assemblies, while Bro. Hosmer is an aide for the Junior Prom.

In literary circles we are represented by Bros. Miner and Smith, speakers at the Sophomore Prize Declamation. Bro. Hews, who is nominee for President of the University Debating Club, and Bro. Milliken who is associate editor of the *Campus*.

Since our last letter we have initiated Elmer O. Pray, '09, and Oscar F. Smith, '08.

During the past three months, Bros. Bean, '04; Cole, '03; and Sawyer, '04, made short stays at the chapter house.

Beta Upsilon profited greatly by the visit of Bro. Wrenn, Province-Chief during the first of February. With him came Bro. Maguire, '91, one of our charter members. We shall all look back with pleasure when we hope to be again so favored. Bro. Wrenn gave us the latest news of interest to the fraternity in general to our own province and to our own chapter. Many points a bit hazy before were set before us in a new, broader and clearer light. The new men gained much knowledge of national fraternities in general and of A. T. O. and the high place she holds among them. Bro. Maguire, whose interest in the affairs of the fraternity were unwavering. He gave us many reminiscences of the earlier days and growth of Maine Beta Upsilon. When other duties called both brothers away we felt as though we should like to have them with us indefinitely. We also felt that we had benefitted greatly by their sojourn with us. As we all expressed at the last National Congress, these visits of the Province-Chief to all the chapters in his province may become annual occurrences.

F. P. HOSMER.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA—COLBY COLLEGE.

On November 10th, Gamma Alpha held its annual banquet. The festivities occurred at the Gerald, a house far-famed for its hospitality. After doing full justice to the repast, speech making and wit flowed freely as "Gerald punch." The impromptus took the form of a very frank discussion of everything pertaining to the affairs of the chapter. The presence of Bro. Williams, delegate from Beta Upsilon, added not a little to the enjoyment of all.

The past three months has added new honors to our list. Bro. Libbey is assistant manager of next years' football team and has also been playing a star game on the 'varsity basketball team.

Bros. Holmes and Hatch have been recently elected members of the Executive Athletic Committee—the committee which controls all athletics at Colby. Bro. E. W. Merrill has been chosen a member of the Glee Club, and has also "made" Upsilon Beta, an honorary Freshman Society.

Recently a Debating Society was organized in this college, largely through the efforts of Bro. Holmes, who was later chosen president. The fraternities and sororities give up one Wednesday evening per month to this society. The first debate was held January 29th, and was a successful beginning of what everyone hopes will be of permanent value to the student body.

We were pleased to have Bro. Austin, Beta Upsilon, '09, with us one Sunday recently.

Bro. Dyer, '98, is a model alumnus. He drops in on us "frequently by spells" and takes an active interest in us, although he is teaching in Monson, Me., quite a distance from here. We wish more of our alumni brothers were like him. Bro. V. M. Jones, '06, who is also teaching in Monson intends to return to college in the Spring.

Our chapter has, for the last few years, been laboring under a debt, but owing to the sacrifices of the present brothers, the debt is being rapidly reduced.

U. RAY JONES.

MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA BETA—TUFTS COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Albert B. Root, Jr., '09, of Jamaica Plain, Mass.; Hilary L. Rochford, '09, of Newton Lower Falls, Mass.; Leo Otis Colbert, '07, of Charleston, Mass.; Howard C. Gale, '07, of Haverhill, Mass.

We now have a chapter of twenty-nine active brothers, the largest number since our founding.

On November 17th we held an informal gathering at the house. Dean Leonard of the Divinity School entertained with a talk on the Brownings and Tennyson. Dean Leonard is the oldest living member of the faculty.

During his visits abroad he has spent much time with these noted writers and his subject was instructive as well as entertaining.

On March 2d the chapter will hold its annual dance in the Gymnasium. Last year it was a grand success and this year we hope to make it even more so.

Bro. Currier and Bro. Miller represented us on the winning team in the inter-club debate held in the chapel on January 17th.

We have five regular men on the musical clubs this year, including the reader and leader of the Mandolin Club.

In track this year we are represented by Bros. Jones, Powers, Colbert, Moore, Leavitt, Rochford, and Noyes. We expect to have with us after Mid-Years Bro. Gardner, of Brown, Rhode Island Gamma Delta.

S. H. BOARDMAN.

RHODE ISLAND GAMMA DELTA—BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Gamma Delta finds herself in good condition at this time.

A new fraternity, Phi Kappa Sigma has been admitted recently, making a total of seventeen fraternities now in college. This means close competition during the rushing season, but Alpha Tau Omega will do her best to gain as good men as she has had in the past.

We have been represented on the basketball team by Bro. King. Bros. Nomse and Ehmke are sure 'varsity pitchers, while Bros. Young and King are on the present squad. Bro. Fowler is President of the musical clubs and leader of the Glee Club. Bro. Gilman is leader of the Symphony Orchestra. Bro. Walsh is manager of the baseball team.

We were represented by a dozen men at the conclave held in Boston on February 22d. Every man came home filled with new zeal for the fraternity, and loud in their praises of the good time given them at the meetings. We were glad to have with us as visitors during the term Bro. Tupper, from Vermont, and Bro. Wren, from Tufts.

JOHN G. WALSH.

VERMONT BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

It is midyears at Vermont, brothers, and we are all busy trying to hit our Exams. in good shape. It's the same old story of hard plugging and anxiety about the new brothers, and you all know what it means.

But in spite of this, Beta Zeta has a mighty prosperous bunch of boys, and they are all bucking in the harness with good old Tau spirit. The custom of having a little spread in the room every Saturday night after Frat. meeting is still in existence, and you can't imagine how much the feed and smoke, right on top of a good meeting, add to the pleasure of the evening and the feeling of brotherly love. Come and join in, brothers, if you have a chance.

Now for college honors. Bro. Merrihew, '06, after winning a fine silver cup at the annual cross-country run, has been elected captain of 'varsity track. Bro. Merrihew is also President of the Electric Engineer's Society at Vermont, Bro. Sanford, '07, Vice-President of same, Bro. Sudler, '07, Cake Walk Committee, class track manager, Vice-President of Society of Mechanical Engineers at Vermont, Bro. Edwards, '06, member of Senior Cane Committee, Bro. Dicks, '08, class basketball manager, Bro. Spencer, '08, Sophomore Hop Committee, Bro. Curtis, '08, Class Pipe Committee. Bro. Wood, '06, has received the honor of election to "The Boulder," the society formed for the "good of Old Vermont." Bros. Edwards and Merrihew, '06, are expected to represent Vermont at the indoor meet at Boston. More honors expected soon, brothers.

Some of the brothers took a trip to Dartmouth the last of January.

R. A. SPENCER.

PROVINCE V.

NEW YORK ALPHA LAMBDA—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

In introducing to the Alpha Tau Omega Karl Ernest Lloyd, '07, of Elyria, Ohio, and Ceil Dickerson Barbour, '09, of Hanford, California, Alpha Lambda is moved with a reasonable sense of gratification. Not only do we feel that our own chapter has been strengthened and advanced by the addition of two such men, but there is small reason to doubt that the fraternity as a whole has in them just cause for self-congratulation. In addition to these two men we have "buttoned" a third, and have under serious consideration for our Spring "goating" a number of others.

It is with a deep feeling of regret that we chronicle the withdrawal from among us William J. Dusel, '07. Dusel was called suddenly to San Francisco by the news of the untimely loss of his brother's life in the wreck of the Valencia off Vancouver Island. The heartfelt sympathy of every member of the chapter went with him on his distressing trip across the continent, and the hope, against probabilities, that he will return to us remains.

The social life of Alpha Lambda during the Fall months took the form of a series of most delightful stag soirees, at which we had the pleasure, from time to time, of welcoming many brothers from neighboring and distant chapters as well as alumni in the city. The interest upon one of these occasions was greatly enhanced by the presence of Bro. Fenn.

A. T. O. was well represented at the Pan-Hellenic dinner, given by the combined fraternities of Columbia just before the Winter vacation. There were about three hundred and fifty of Columbia's best sons on hand, and surely the welkin ne'er rang with louder nor more enthusiastic merri-ment.

There has been little time since vacation for thought of things social. Every nerve has been strained that no A. T. O. should pull up lame behind

the flag of the midyear Exams. That race is over, and the last cry from the grand stand found us all in at the finish with lots of time and lots of wind to spare. On February thirteenth we expect to "celebrate" at our first smoker since the holidays. On February fifteenth a dinner-dance will be given in honor of Bro. Butterfield, '05, and his charming bride. Covers will be laid for twenty.

College honors that have fallen since our last letter have not missed us entirely. Bro. Bridgeman is manager of the fencing team; Bro. Grunsky was among those who represented Columbia at the intercollegiate indoor meet recently held at Madison Square Garden; Bros. Langworthy and Van-Cleef have been chosen editors of the *Columbia Law Review*; Bro. Barbour played on the late lamented freshman football team (*football* is an obsolete word at Columbia, meaning a cruel, brutal and unsportmanlike game, played in the dark ages of college sport, the object of which was the sure and effectual breaking of human bones—*Columbia Faculty Dictionary, Revised Edition*). Bro. French is assistant manager of the lacrosse team.

In looking back over the fraternity accomplishments during the Fall term and forward to the prospects of the opening term we are at once justly gratified and enthusiastically inspired. Our initiates during the year have unexceptionably measured up to our hopes for them and have fulfilled our expectations of them. We want achievers, and we are getting them. But over and above and beyond the ephemeral glitter of college achievements we want men in whom the zeal of a broad fraternity spirit will fire to the end of time; men whose social and intellectual prestige already mark them as leaders of their fellow men; men of increasingly broad attitude of life and commanding personality; men who are men before they are anything else. These are the ideals we set before our chapter and they are ideals which, backed by an undismayed enthusiasm and stern determination, can not fail to persist and be realized.

HOWARD LEE MCBAIN.

N. Y. ALPHA OMICRON—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Omicron is still enjoying a period of prosperity. Our smoking room and library have been handsomely refurnished with Mission furniture, and also repapered, enabling us to entertain in good style. We have had several house parties since college opened, one of them a formal affair and the others informal dances. On account of the limiting of the number of house parties to two a year (the faculty having restricted the fraternities here to that number,) the little informal gatherings have been held during the Thanksgiving and Christmas vacation. There was a party given by the alumni and active members who remained in town during the Christmas recess.

Preparations will soon be made for the Alpha ball, one of the great social events of the college year at St. Lawrence. This will be held as usual after Easter.

Alpha Omicron is still in the race when it comes to getting her share of honors. Brothers Martin and Milligan of the sophomore class have been chosen to represent their class in the annual debate with the freshmen. Brother M. C. O'Brien will be one of the freshman debaters. Brother Terry, '07, was recently elected football manager for the coming season, and Brother Milligan, '08, was elected assistant manager. Brothers Ford, '07, (Capt.) Hurlbut, '06, Main, '07, and Calder, '09, represent us on the 'varsity basketball team. Brother Albert O'Brien, '08, is captain of his class basketball team, and Brother Calder is captain of the freshman team.

GEORGE C. TERRY, JR.

NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The semi-annual reign of terror, accompanying the close of each semester, has again visited the university community, and again New York Beta Theta is able to thrust forth its collective chests and proudly announce that not one of her undergraduate representatives has been dismissed for deficiency in studies. Nevertheless we have lost three men during the past term: Bro. Armstrong, after a serious illness of several weeks, left the university for the remainder of the year. We miss him sorely but look forward to seeing him again next Fall. Bros. Goodrich and Dingsen left at the end of the term, the former to enter Colgate University, the latter to strike out for himself in the business world. Our best wishes go with them.

The havoc wrought in our ranks necessitated an overhauling of the eligible list which resulted in the introduction into our chapter of the two excellent substitutes for the brothers we lost. Soon after Christmas, James DeWitt Willcox, '07, was initiated. Brother Willcox is a member of the Masque, of the Guitar and Mandolin Club, and has won his numerals in baseball; a month later we took in Herbert L. Trube, '08, who was a member of the victorious cross-country team of 1904.

Following the lull in university activities occasioned by preparation for the impending examinations, the opening of the second term has been the signal for a general stir in all the branches of Spring athletics. We have several candidates for the track team; Bro. Cornell is again out for baseball and has survived the first cut in the squad; Bro. Hooper may once more be seen in the crew room and he is going to try to keep up his excellent record of the past.

Bros. Steele and Hooper are on the Vigilance Committee.

Junior Week was celebrated directly after the close of the first term, at which time we gave a house party. Bro. C. R. Kelleran, '05, was with us throughout the week.

Bro. W. H. Stentz, of Ohio Beta Mu, visited us recently. We hope he will be able to be with us again.

Bros. J. T. Gorman, '98, N. Y. Beta Theta, and C. L. Bliss, '93, N. Y. Beta Theta, were with us this Winter. Bro. Bliss has but recently returned from Manila.

LAURENCE KNIBLOE.

PENNSYLVANIA ALHPA IOTA—MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

The undying perseverance and united efforts of our chapter has added another quartette of men to our ranks who are worthy and proud wearers of the Maltese Cross. In our last letter we were glad to introduce four new brothers, and surely our joy is at its zenith at this time, since we can repeat the pleasure. We have now more than doubled our chapter since last September—the active chapter now numbering fifteen good workers for the sky blue and old gold. We commend to Alpha Tau Omega these new brothers: Jesse Stetler, '09, Chester Rhodes, '09, Edward Nonamaker, '09, Sem Beck, '08.

Towards the close of last term representatives of three chapters of this province responded to the call of the Provincial-Chief, Bro. Hamilton C. Connor, to meet at the Alpha Rho chapter house, Lehigh University, to consider the advisability of holding a conclave. It was then decided to hold it at New York City on February 22nd, but some difficulties have since prevented its being held there, so that now the conclave will meet at Allentown instead. It is fondly hoped that as goodly representation will be present, and that the city alumni combined with the active chapter will make the stay of the visiting brothers enjoyable.

Last month our chapter was honored several times in having with us, Bro. Charles H. Fenn. It did our hearts good to meet him, for his genial manners, fraternal greetings, and excellent sentiments we have not forgotten, but we will cluster them all around the endeared personality of our Worthy Grand Chief.

On January 30, Bro. Guth, '05, proprietor of the Lafayette Hotel, entertained the chapter at the hotel.

In the annual college play, Bros. Hoffman and Schatz had leading parts. "A Night Off" was voted a good success.

The chapter held a smoker on December 8, in honor of Rev. Frank N. D. Buchman, of Philadelphia. Quite a number of the alumni were present and fraternal spirit was at its height.

On the Junior year book we are represented by Bros. Boyer and Marks, who are associate editors.

Bro. Marks is on the '07 basket ball team. Bro. Boyer is manager. Bro. Kuhl is on the '08 team, and Bros. Bossard and Kline are on the '09 team.

CHARLES E. RUDY.

PA. ALPHA PI—WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

We are just in receipt of Bro. Fenn's communication, and are pleased with its tone and encouragement. Movements in the world of A. T. O. seem to indicate a greater unity and spirit of brotherhood. The best thing, we believe, that a man receives from his fraternity is the development of the unselfish and fraternal spirit. The PALM itself is one of the worthiest harmonizing agencies and deserves the support of the chapters in maintaining its present standard of excellence.

As a chapter we are prospering. Our chapter house is full, Bros. Harkness and Brooks having moved in the first of the year. Before Christmas the house was the scene of a highly enjoyable reception in which a number of the members of other fraternities were informally entertained. Now and then we have little "family" *soirees* to promote good fellowship. On Jan. 29, Bros. Harkness and Tanner "set it up" to the chapter in celebration of their birthdays. The fraternity bible study class meets in the house on Sunday afternoons.

Brother James, who was recently elected to attend the conclave of Province V in New York, has been sick but is about recovered. Bros. McFarland and Irwin are forwards on the senior basket ball team. Bro. Richardson is on the Junior Promenade Committee. Bro. D. M. Donaldson is wrestling with the job of the chairmanship of the Literary Committee of the Junior Annual. Some of the freshmen brothers are elbowing their way into society in preparation for the Junior Promenade.

One of our successful additions to the comforts of the house is a library, which is increased each term by individual contributions.

F. H. IRWIN.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Our midyear Exams. are past and Alpha Rho begins the second term with the brightest prospects. The chapter house has as many men in it as comfort will permit and fraternity life is being lived to its fullest extent.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bro. Hagenbuch, '09. Bro. Smith represented Alpha Rho in the Minstrel Show, holding down one of the ends. Bro. Bressler has been elected to the board of editors of the *Brown and White*, the college semi-weekly, and is also the treasurer of the Sophomore class. While attending Summer school, Bro. King received a severe injury which forces him to leave college for the present. We expect to have him with us again in September.

Immediately preceding the holidays, Bro. Connor, P. C., called a preliminary meeting of representatives of the chapters of the province at the home of Alpha Rho for considering the feasibility of holding a province conclave. It was decided then to hold the conclave in New York at the time of the New York Alumni banquet, but at a subsequent meeting of the committee, Feb. 22nd was chosen as the date of holding the conclave and

Allentown, Pa., the place. Representatives were present at the preliminary meeting from New York Beta Theta, Pennsylvania Tau, Alpha Iota and Alpha Rho as well as a number of the alumni.

Alpha Rho was honored the latter part of Jan., by a visit from Worthy Grand Chief Fenn. We are always pleased by the visits of the officers of the fraternity and would like to see more of them.

CALDER B. BRESSLER.

PENNA. ALPHA UPSILON—GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

We are glad to report Penna. Alpha Upsilon in a very prosperous condition. Since the beginning of the New Year we have installed a steam plant in our house, thus equipping it with all the modern conveniences. On these cold Winter nights, when we are gathered in our cozy home, we feel that we have been fully repaid for the sacrifices we made to secure our house.

On Jan. 31st, the chapter gave its initiatory dance in the house. In addition to every man in the active chapter, two of our alumni were with us, making a total of fourteen couples. We were very anxious that this function should prove a great success, and nothing was left undone which could in any way add to the evening's enjoyment. The house was tastefully decorated in the fraternity colors, and the music and refreshments were the best that could be secured. The unanimous verdict of the ladies was that it was the "best" dance that has ever been held here.

Bro. W. S. Schroeder entertained the chapter in his hospitable home on Baltimore St., on Saturday evening, Jan. 27th. Bro. J. H. McClure is playing a star game on the basketball team. Bro. G. W. Karmany, '07, has completed his baseball schedule for the coming season and it has been approved by the Athlete Committee. Among the games scheduled are the Univ. of Penna., the Carlisle Indians, Dickinson, and Bucknell. Bros. J. N. Hartman, '06; C. C. Hartman, '07; and Wm. B. McClure, '08, are among the boys that expect to be present at the first annual conclave of Province V. The chapter is heartily in favor of province conclaves and we are very glad that Bro. Connor has set this movement on foot. Bro. Fox, ex-'08, is paying the chapter a visit. He is employed by the Southern R. R., at Spartansburg, S. C. Thom, ex-'09, one of our pledged men in Prep. last year, recently paid the chapter a short visit. He is also employed by the Southern R. R., at China Grove, N. C. Bro. H. A. Rinard, '03, who will graduate from the Theological Seminary in the Spring has accepted a call from the Lutheran Church in Leetonia, Ohio.

The college community was recently called upon to lament the death of her old President, Milton Valentine, D. D. LL. D.

Dr. Valentine graduated from college in the class of '50. He served as President of the college from 1867 to 1884, and of the Seminary from 1884 to 1902. He was an author of marked ability and a Theologian of pre-emin-

ent rank. He died February 6th, 1906, at the age of 82.

The chapter congratulates her new sister at the University of Washington.

GEO. KARMANY.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Fall term is over, and with it the dreaded "midyears;" we all survived, and though the smell of midnight oil still reeks in our rooms, and our dreams are filled at night by hydra-headed visions of conditions, yet we are thankful still to be here.

The term has been one for work, but our men have striven for other things besides "grades" and class standing. Bros. Sewell, A. Williams, and Caldwell have made the "Mask and Wig"; Bro. Haydock ran a star quarter on the 'varsity relay in New York, while Bros. Williamson, L. Latimer, A. Latimer, W. Baily and Teich are also on the track squad. Bro. Waite is on the 'varsity wrestling team; Bros. L. E. Way, Lafean, Caldwell and L. Williams are out for the freshman crew; Bros. McElwain and Sewell are on the Committee for the Ivy Ball, the event of the year in university circles; Bro. F. G. Bailey is on the Sophomore Banquet Committee; Bros. Snyder and Waite are on the Engineers Dance Committee; Bros. Hopkins and Griffith are in the Architects Play; Bro. McElwain is on the Houston Club Dance Committee.

Among the minor clubs we are well represented: Bro. Sewell being President of the Ohio Club; Bro. Williamson, Vice-President of the Blair County Club; and Bro. A. Williams, Secretary of the Lackawanna County Club.

We are very fortunate in having with us this year Bro. Nathaniel Curtis Rogers, late of Chicago, who was highly recommended to us as a "Fusser." We have as yet had few opportunities of seeing "Gus" in action, but we await the chapter tea, to be given early in March, with a great deal of interest, as we expect Bro. Rogers to live up to his reputation and leave the hearts of at least a third of the hundred or more maidens present in a state of paralysis. (Chicago and Washington papers please copy.)

On Tuesday evening, February the sixth, the main Engineering Building and Power House was almost entirely destroyed by fire. This caused some inconvenience and loss among the Engineering sections, but as the new building was nearly ready for occupancy, there will be no serious delay.

The chapter has undertaken the publication of the songs of the fraternity, and the matter is now in the hands of a most able committee. For information address C. S. McElwain, A. T. O. House, 3614 Walnut Street, West Philadelphia.

A. E. SWOYER.

PROVINCE VI.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Since our last letter to the PALM, there have been very few happenings of any interest to the fraternity.

We have no promising candidates for the baseball team this Spring, but Bros. Curtis and McNeill are sure to make good on the track team. Two of our last years chapter, Bros. Wilson and Bridgers, who were elected as captain and manager, respectively, for this year track team, failed to return. We are not represented on the tennis team this year, as Bro. Fry is not now in college.

Bro. Hubert Hill has been elected one of the ball managers for commencement. Bro. J. T. McAden is an associate editor of *Yackety Yack*, our college annual.

Bro. J. D. Pemberton is to lead the April German, and we are counting on him for a fine dance. We have fine prospects for new men next year. We expect to get no less than six men.

Four of our brothers had the pleasure of attending the N. C. Xi initiation recently, and were treated most royally by the brothers of that chapter. A very noticeable fact at their initiation was the presence of so many alumni brothers, which shows how the interest of the fraternity is still held dear by those who have left college.

J. T. McADEN.

NORTH CAROLINA XI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

We had our initiation on the evening of February 3d, and we wish to introduce to the fraternity our new brothers, Cole, Wadsworth, and Flowers. Bro. Odell, from Concord, N. C., and quite a number of the alumni who live in town were present. Bros. Hill, McNeill, McAden and Hall represented N. C. Alpha Delta chapter. After the initiation was over in the late hours of night we all went to the banquet hall where an elaborate feast was served.

The baseball season is approaching and we hope to be able to hold up our present record. N. C. Xi has always held a pre-eminent part in athletics and it looks now as if we will have a fair representation on the coming team. Bro. Cole has made the Glee Club and expects to take some trips in different parts of the State. We were honored by visits from Bros. H. C. Satterfield, '04, and Fred. O'Dell, '02, since our last letter. We are always glad to welcome any of our brothers. It is very gratifying to see the loyalty and A. T. O. spirit that exists among our brothers.

FRED FLOWER.

SOUTH CAROLINA BETA XI—COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON.

All the boys returned after Christmas with reports of a good holiday and are now hard at work, preparing for the midyear examinations, which begin on February 6th. We hope that all will have taken them successfully before this letter appears in print.

We are frequently visited by Bros. Sam. McGowan and Wm. Lebby, who are now taking their regular vacation from the University of the South, at Sewanee. Both of these men are initiates of our chapter, and now affiliate with Tennessee Omega.

Bro. Gourdin Young, who was compelled to leave Sewanee because of the failure of his eyes is now at home in the city. Though he has not entered the College of Charleston, he is affiliating with our chapter.

The annual ball of the College of Charleston will take place on February 20th. This ball is managed by your correspondent, who hopes with the assistance of the other brothers to make it a grand success. All the boys in college who take part in dances at all are anticipating a great time.

Bro. Samuel Hughes has been re-elected manager of the football team for next year. His management during the past season was very successful and met the approval of everybody concerned.

Bro. Weathersford, an alumnus of Vanderbilt University, made a short visit to the college early in January. Bro. Weathersford was traveling in the interest of the Students' Convention which will be held at Nashville.

We have a man pledged, whom we hope to introduce as an excellent brother in our next letter.

CALHOUN A. MAYS.

VIRGINIA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Since our last letter very little of interest has happened. Just before the holidays we were all busy with examinations and then were separated for a while. Now, however, we are back together once more and in fine running order.

We regret very much to announce the loss of Bro. Frost from our number. He withdrew from college shortly after Christmas, and is now on a trip to Cuba, where he expects to visit Bro. John Gordon for a while. He will be badly missed and we regret his going very much. We hear that Bro. Weisiger, who had to leave us in the Fall, has announced his engagement to Miss Little, of St. Louis. He is to be married in May.

Bro. Tueker has been appointed chairman of the committee to raise funds for the building of our new house and reports fair progress.

Bro. Smythe, who was with us last year, is said to be pining for the "fair old golden days" and expects to return next year to complete his B. A. course.

Bro. Brawley is located in Greenville, S. C., being private Secretary to Mr. Lewis Parker.

Bro. Bererley Tucker was the only one of the Rhodes scholars who passed successfully all of the midyear Exams.

W. P. HERBERT.

PROVINCE VII.

OHIO ALPHA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE.

It gives us pleasure to greet the brothers in Alpha Tau Omega with the announcement that Alpha Nu chapter is now installed in her new apartments. The new location is a suit of rooms planned and built for the chapter. New furnishings have been used, and these, combining with the conveniences of arrangement make a comfortable and attractive home for Alpha Tau. The brothers have been untiring in their efforts to provide such a home and have received substantial support from some of our alumni.

On the evening of February 14th, the chapter will hold its annual banquet. The initiation of A. O. Fleming will be held early in the evening to afford the visiting alumni the opportunity of again witnessing the ceremony.

H. B. Wallace and L. R. Ruth will represent Alpha Nu at the conclave at Springfield, Ohio. I. T. McCormack will deliver the college toast at the State Oratorical Meeting at Dennison.

FRANK W. SMITH.

OHIO ALPHA PSI—WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

February, finds Alpha Psi, an optimistic crowd of fellows. The first term is over and with the strains of fall examinations, successfully withstood by all the brothers, there is plenty of cause, for the fine spirit which is predominate in all of us. We certainly are not mistaken when we say there is not a "dead one" in our chapter at present. The Winter term began with finest of prospects, all the brothers returning, making us fourteen actives, and with five pledged, whom are, we think, the choice of "prepdom."

The basketball team that is representing the college this year is a "dandy." Why? Because Bro. Baskerville is captain, Bro. Bech, manager, and Bro. Eide Miller one of the star players. They are making the best showing of any team that ever represented the college. Bro. Dolben will be one of the Excelsior Literary Society debater, in the annual contest against the Philo's. The winner will represent the college in a debate against Otterbein.

We have just completed about a hundred and fifty dollars improvements on our chapter house. With the aid of a few alumni, and we think, that we now have the most comfortable house around the college. On the eve of February 22d, 1906, we are going to christen all the new fixtures by having the fairer sex to partake in a general house warming.

C. DALE CHRISTIE.

OHIO BETA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since its last letter to the PALM, Ohio Beta Eta has been enjoying the congeniality and good-fellowship which should always belong to fraternity life. Besides these things, we have enjoyed an increase in membership. We have initiated three of the four freshmen whom we pledged at the beginning of the college year, and we take pleasure in introducing as brothers, Carl T. Lezius, Otis D. Summers, of Cleveland, and Charles C. Alexander, of Ironton. Before this letter reaches the PALM, we will have initiated John S. Blue, of Frankport.

Since our last letter we have done considerable in decorating the house, and in it we will take pleasure in receiving visits from any of our brothers.

G. R. KINGHAM.

OHIO BETA MU—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Beta Mu wishes to present to the fraternity the following new brothers who were recently initiated: Francis Reese, '08; Barclay Meldrum, '09; Paul Wilson, '09; Marion Blankenhorn, '09; Edgar Bickenbach, '09.

Bro. Reese is alternate on the university debating team; Bros. Meldrum, and Bickenbach are track men of some reputation. Bro. Blankenhorn had a place on the Athenaeon team in one of its inter-society debates.

One of the events which will be long remembered by Beta Mu is the Thanksgiving Feast. Each fellow received a box of edibles from home, and the event of the evening was the opening of the boxes. These contained everything imaginable, one a roast pig. No one went away hungry. We also enjoyed an informal dance not long ago at the home of "Uncle George Schwartz," which was a great success. We are also planning for our regular term party.

Bro. Lloyd who made the record drop kick of the United States was elected captain for next year. Bros. Compton and Lloyd were on the sophomore basketball team and helped in no small degree to make it one of the strongest teams. Our prospects in baseball are very good, with Bro. Lloyd in the box. Bros. Compton and Moore in the outfield, also Bro. Wallace as substitute.

We also have a good representation in other lines. Bro. Townsend won the oratorical contest over four strong competitors and will represent Wooster in the State Oratorical Contest. He is also a member of the University Male Quartette. Bro. Rice is a member of "The Choristers." Bro. Compton has been chosen Assistant in Physics for next year to succeed Bro. Ringland. Bro. Didcoct is manager of the Minstrel Show which will be given next term; Bros. Bunn and Lloyd are end men; Bros. Cowles and Steele are in the circle.

One of the things of which Beta Mu is most proud is the new book case and collection of PALMS. With the exception of one number we have a complete file of the PALM since its first publication. This is a fact of which no other chapter can boast. We also have a nearly completed file of "Voices" and "Indexes." For all this we owe a debt of gratitude to "Uncle George Schwartz," who has worked hard to obtain a complete file.

FRANK STEELE.

OHIO BETA OMEGA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Bro. McAllister entertained the chapter at a six o'clock dinner at his home on Eighth Avenue, February 3d. We appreciated his hospitality—and his dinner.

Bro. Reemsnyder was elected captain of Ohio State football team for next season. Bro. Linhardt is next season's manager. Those are the only two offices we hold on the football team.

Bro. McMaster, of the University of Illinois, spent the holidays at his home in this city.

Bro. Carnie Thompson was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Ohio Legislature when it convened on January 1st.

Several of our Wittenberg brothers complimented us with a visit on January 7th and 8th.

The chapter is contemplating a joint banquet with the alumni for the near future for the purpose of establishing an alumni chapter in the city.

Bro. Geo. Rightmire, Professor of Law in the Law School, has been initiated into the Delta Chi law fraternity.

Bro. William Ginder was married to Miss Jessie Taylor, on the evening of January 1st.

We hope to see each chapter in the province well represented at the conclave at Springfield on February 22d. We'll be there.

J. TOM HOFFMAN.

OHIO GAMMA KAPPA—WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY.

Gamma Kappa has nothing wonderful to report. However, we are keeping out of mischief. Our membership is still intact. In our fraternity activities we are striving to improve. We have started to pay more attention to the secret work and ceremonies than in the past. The suggestions made to us by our Province-Chief are being worked out, in our accounts, etc.

Several of the alumni continue to display their interest in the chapter by attendance at the meetings and dropping in frequently. We have had a couple of dances at the college hall.

The returns from the Dean's office at the end of the first semester are as good as we deserve. In this, and other respects, we expect to continue to hold our own, improving when possible.

J. H. DILLINGER.

PROVINCE VIII.

TENN. ALPHA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN PRES. UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Tau sends her best greetings to sister chapters for a new year, and wishes that all may have a successful year. This year finds us with seventeen men, the best chapter we have had since '02 and '03.

Since our last letter to the PALM, three new men have ridden the "goat" successfully, and came off crowned with the laurels of victory. And we now present Bros. F. L. Allen, and J. W. Pollord, of Newbern, Ala., and J. W. Hillermon, of Koscisko, Miss.

Everything is rather quiet in athletics at present. However, on the basketball team we have Bros. Lemon, Cheek, and Crosby. We are now looking forward to baseball which promises to place something like five or six of our men on.

We have a most congenial set of men and our chapter meetings are quite a pleasure. Every man feels that he is bound to all the others by ties stronger than the accident of birth, and we hate to think of having to give up some of our best men this year.

Bro. Lang, recently made a visit to Jackson, Tenn., and reports a pleasant time with Tenn. Beta Tau while there.

We would like to say that the PALM is very satisfactory under its present management, and we feel that every Alpha Tau in the land should be proud of such a journal. Let us read it and keep posted on what we are doing, and thus gain new inspiration for our new chapter. We owe it to our fraternity to do all we can to build up the best set of men in the world.

JAMES B. GUTHRIE.

TENNESSEE BETA PI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The spiking season among the Greeks at Vanderbilt has at last opened, and for the last week the freshman has been the most popular man in college. And in the rush for the choicest meat of the freshman flock, A. T. O. has gotten her full share. We have initiated five men and have another pledged. Their names follow: Guy Crawford, Bellbuckle, Tenn.; J. M. Carson, Jacksonville, Fla.; A. M. Young, Muskogee, I. T.; Jno. Hill, Dresden, Tenn.; Turner Cannon, McKenzie, Tenn.; Tansil Moore, Sharon, Tenn. We feel very proud of these men, for we have had time to get a line on them, and we know that they are exactly the material that will make true and loyal brothers and win honors for A. T. O. in Vanderbilt.

Beta Pi is very much alive to the emergency of the occasion. Every old brother has put forth his best efforts to increase our ranks with men who will see to it that the cause of Alpha Tau Omega does not suffer when they are left at the helm of this chapter.

After the initiation Friday night the new brothers were entertained with a delightful menu at Dorrider & Sidebottom's. On the evening of December 16th, Beta Pi gave a small banquet at the Maxwell House. We invited several A. T. O. alumni, in and near Nashville. Bro. Bradley Walker, acting as toastmaster for the occasion. There were several responses from the alumni as well as from a number of our chapter. Judge Childress, who is one of the oldest A. T. O's in Tennessee was present and gave us some interesting details of our early struggles in this State back in the 60's.

The baseball season will soon open up and we are sure to be well represented on the team. Bro. Travis is captain and Bro. Inglis will be one of the best on the pitching staff.

Before the next issue of the PALM, Bros. Simmons, Lee, Nolen, Travis, and Billington will have received their M. D's, ready at all times to wait upon the ills and pocket books of our unsuspecting public.

Brother Jones will soon be busy helping to get the track team in shape. We are glad to welcome Bro. Mathison of Ala. Beta Beta as an affiliate of Beta Pi. We are in a flourishing condition now and the chapter is going to be left in fine shape this year notwithstanding the large number to be lost by graduation. We wish other chapters equal success.

R. W. BILLINGTON.

TENN. BETA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY.

"A jug of verses under a tree,
A book of wine and thou —"

hold on, that don't sound just right. I must have forgotten it. Let me tell you something. It is my honest opinion that Omar made a mess of that whole thing anyway. But I can not be hard on the old fellow. In fact I sympathize with him, for I feel to-day very much like I imagine he felt—just a little scatter brained, you know. Now, do not think that the members of Beta Tau have been dissipating. We don't do that, at least to such an extent that we can't go to bed without assistance. This may be more than could be said to-morrow, for to-night we forget that we have lessons to learn and are going to put into play our many devices for impressing Alpha Tauism on the inquisitive.

A certain Mr. Wauford, sprung from the hills of middle Tennessee and rocked in the gullies thereof, has recently put in his appearance at the S. W. B. U. He is quite an extensive young man, rearing his cranium some six feet or more above the lowly earth. To-night we are going to show him there are more things 'twixt heaven and earth than are dreamed of in his philosophy.

Since our last letter a Y. M. C. A. has been organized here. The A. T. O. boys had to "butt in" that of course, to see if it was any good. We decided it was worth trying, and out of fifteen members, seven are A. T. O's, and out of this seven every officer was elected. The Y. M. C. A. has five

delegates to the Students' Volunteer Convention, which meets at Nashville, Tenn., February 23d to March 4th, and of this number four are loyal members of Beta Tau. We are expecting a jolly time at Nashville and hope to meet lots of brothers and sisters, especially the latter.

The members of Beta Tau all got letters from home the other day and in our liberality we bought a mail box and subscribed for four magazines and two daily papers. We are getting literary, you see.

ALMUS PROCTOR.

TENNESSEE OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

We are now enjoying our Winter vacation and there is no news of any great importance to chronicle. The chapter is maintaining its usual high standard in the university, securing both academic and athletic honors. We expect all our old men back in March, with one exception. This is Bro. V. M. Manning, who has left us to take charge of his father's plantation in South Carolina.

Four of the brothers are in Europe. These are Bros. Gray, Jervey, Shaffer, and Lummis. The rest are scattered from New York to Arizona. Bro. Seikel is studying music in New York, and Bro. C. Penick is in charge of an ostrich farm, in Phoenix, Arizona. Bro. Sparkman, the baby slabman and premier south paw, is warming up for the coming baseball season at his home on Edisto Island. Bro. Barney is spending the Winter on the mountain. The correspondent is holding down the job of assistant engineer at the Piper coal mine.

Bro. Brooks, the brilliant criminal lawyer, is practicing in Chattanooga; although his best client, Bro. Sparkman is not there, he is doing an extensive business. Bro. Vanghan is at Norfolk for his health.

CHARLES PUCKETT.

TENNESSEE PI—UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.

The close of the Christmas holidays brings us once more together in our rooms at Reese Hall.

Much may be said as to the interest we are showing in regard to all our fraternal affairs. Especially our annual banquet to be given at Hotel Stratford, on Thursday evening, February 8th, at 9.30, in commemoration of the re-establishment of Tennessee Pi. It is intended that this banquet be a success in every way, and therefore the boys are all striving very hard that all may be well.

Bro. Joshua W. Caldwell, '75, has consented to act as toastmaster, and other prominent members of the alumni have agreed to respond. We hoped to have Bishop Thos. F. Gailor with us on this occasion, but owing to a previous engagement in Eastern cities it is impossible. More will be said of the banquet later, and now we can only hope for the such we have

planned. Not only this feast is worthy of mention, for I now present to the fraternity at large our two new Alpha Taus: Alan S. Kelley, '08, Jasper, Tenn., and Chas. Arden Mobley, '09, Rock Hill, S. C. These two new brothers have entered our academic halls since the holidays, and it is with very great pride that we claim them.

There seems to be very little doing in athletics at this period, although Bro. Converse plays on the '07 basketball team, while Bros. Kelley and Mobley are training the track team.

It gives us great pleasure to have Bro. Jas. Sherback with us this year, and we hope at some near time to see the return of some other old men.

We were very glad to have Bro. W. J. Cummings elected Vice-President of the Junior Law Class, and also to have Bro. Shea as one of the university afternoon German Club governing board. Bros. Messick, Gunther, Margo, and Peoples also belong to the club.

R. HENRI PEOPLES.

To every impulse sweet and strong ;
 To every beam of holy light
 That breaks upon me, day or night,
 Let me be true !

To every soul that in the throng
 Yearns for my sympathy and cheer,
 Or courage needs in doubt or fear,
 I must be true !

To duty, all the path along ;
 To Thy high purpose, set for me ;
 To self, to friends, to right, to Thee,
 I will be true !

FRANK A. FALL, in "*Blazed Trails.*"

Official Correspondence.

PROVINCE III.

Province III of Alpha Tau Omega is very proud of the fact that it is enjoying, as individual chapters and as a whole, the most prosperous period in its existence. The chapters are, without an exception, in the best of condition in every respect. First-class men have been pledged by every chapter and a glorious four years is assured to the fraternity for each chapter by the type of men now wearing the Maltese Cross.

The province takes great joy in welcoming as an addition to its roll the name of Washington Gamma Pi and extends the hand of fellowship and of brotherly love to the nineteen sturdy, young men who were welcomed into the temple of friendship by Bro. C. S. Van Brundt, of Illinois Gamma Zeta. The province is very sorry that the great distance prevented a large number of brothers from assisting Bro. Van Brundt in his pleasant work.

The Province-Chief wishes to report a pleasant time at the banquet given by the Kansas City Alumni Association in the French room of the Hotel Baltimore, on the evening of November 29, 1905, the eve of the annual Kansas-Missouri football game. Thirty-two loyal Alpha Taus sat down to a dinner that caused all to forget the anxiety about the morrow's game and enjoy a thoroughly good time. E. R. Morrison (Nebraska Gamma Theta), President of the Kansas City Alumni Association, acted as toastmaster in a way that could not be surpassed. Louis C. Ehle (New York Beta Theta), former editor of the PALM, and former member of the High Council, delighted the hearts of the younger members with personal reminiscences. Dr. Kirby (Michigan Beta Kappa), newly inaugurated as President of Drury College, Springfield, Missouri, spoke on "Fraternity Life"; short speeches were made by the Provincial-Chief and brothers from Gamma Mu and other chapters, and all left pledging themselves to return a year from that night with plans all laid to accompany the crowd to Birmingham during the holiday season of 1906.

The Province-Chief wishes to report a short but very pleasant visit with Illinois Gamma Chi at the University of Chicago, on January 8, 1906. He was glad to find that the boys had installed their own culinary department and enjoyed a first-rate dinner with them. A number of pledges were on hand to show him that Gamma Chi was in the race and in the foremost rank. He was sorry that his stay was of necessity so short but plans to continue it at his first opportunity.

JOHN N. VAN DER VRIES,
Provincial-Chief.

THE GREEK WORLD.

THE GREEK PRESS.

BY HENDREE P. SIMPSON.

If we should be asked to name the handsomest publication (and the costliest too, perhaps,) in the fraternity world, there would be no hesitancy in mentioning the Kappa Sigma *Caduceus* as being superior to all others in this respect. The Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* and the Kappa Alpha *Journal* follow rather closely but the first named is a long way ahead of everything else. The December number is at hand, and among other things contains an article on "Southern Fraternity Life," which is an interesting description of the colleges and fraternities in that section of the country and from which the following is taken :

The Southern institutions which Kappa Sigma has entered, though the best of the section, are not as a rule richly endowed. Sixteen are state institutions, depending largely upon their own resources supplemented by annual appropriations from their several states. These are sharing the South's unprecedented era of prosperity. The annual appropriations are no longer made from an embarrassed treasury but from a liberal store. Year by year these appropriations are becoming more munificent. The last session of Mississippi's legislature appropriated for State college use one hundred and twenty-five per cent. more money than any previous amount for the same purpose. The same session defeated the well canvassed and hard fought movement against Greek letter fraternities. A noteworthy fact is that the men who worked hardest for this great appropriation were the Greeks who defeated the purposed anti-fraternity legislation. The better equipment and increased resources of these State schools means a greater and brighter field for Greek letter fraternities.

The denominational colleges of the South in which Kappa Sigma is represented by chapters, seventeen in number, are in many instances more resourceful and better equipped than our state schools. They, too, are sharing the South's prosperity. Their endowments are being increased, their halls are filled to overflowing, and new buildings are being erected.

These institutions, State and denominational alike, almost without an authoritative dissenting voice, welcome in a just number, and gladly encourage Greek letter fraternities which maintain proper attitude toward the institution.

Of Kappa Sigma Southern chapters, all but five are located in institutions of less than a thousand matriculates. All but eight are located in towns of less than 25,000 inhabitants. My observation leads me to believe these two facts to be most significant. I believe that the college of from two to five hundred matriculates, located in a town of less than 25,000 inhabitants, is the soil best adopted to the healthful growth and realization of the best fruits of fraternity life. Such a school is a pride to such a town. The community does not in the whirl of commercialism forget the presence of the college, nor does the student body lose its interest for college and for fraternity in the dazzling glamour of humanity's gratification of perverted tastes. On days of celebration, literary, athletic, or social, the town "turns out." Carriages, buggies and girls are flying or wearing fraternity colors. There is a fraternal spirit in the atmosphere. One feels that it is good to be a fraternity man, and at the same time he maintains a kindly attitude to the non-fraternity man. The latter determines to join a fraternity if the opportunity presents, while the community boy in short trousers fondly dreams of the day when he may wear "a badge like big sister is wearing."

The number of Southern schools of this type leads me to believe that we have a splendid field especially adapted to the germinating and growth of fraternity life. The Southern man carries into his fraternity life the splendid spirit of "the old South," the spirit of determination which characterized Robert E. Lee, the greatest warrior the world has ever seen, the man who had many foes but never an enemy; the spirit of helpfulness and comradeship which animated the ragged and half-starved veterans of Valley Forge; and withal, a sense of justice which had its highest expression in the life and actions of the world's greatest statesman, Abraham Lincoln, who died too soon to know that he was to be understood and honored by all sections of his country.

As a rule the fraternity man of the South is younger and less mature than our brothers of the East and North. This I think is due to the small amount of graduate work done in the South, together with the fact that in most cases the curricula of the Southern colleges are not so high as those of the East and North.



The December number of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* is up to its usual high standard, but there is much to regret, even by the outside Greek world, in the resignation from its staff of associate-editor Jones; its department of Hellenic happenings as conducted by him, was about the cleverest thing

in any journal coming to our table. The present number tells of Oklahoma University, the new institution which the fraternity recently entered; its chapter there, with those in Delaware, the District of Columbia, California (two in that State), and West Virginia, hardly entitle it to be now called a purely Southern fraternity; for which we congratulate our rivals, and of course the institutions, and hope for the day when we may meet them on still more numerous fields in friendly rivalry. It is now up to Delta Upsilon to spread a little South and Southwest and to become less sectional in a geographical way.

Concerning the compliment paid the writer by the editor of the *Journal*, the humble reviewer takes off his hat and bows his appreciation.



Having now proffered advice as to how Delta Upsilon can do the right and proper thing (which advice it didn't telegraph for, probably doesn't want, and undoubtedly refuses to appreciate just now), we turn to the attractive looking *Quarterly* it has sent out under date of December first; not only attractive in appearance but interesting in its varied accounts of their late 71st annual convention held with the Hamilton College chapter at Clinton, N. Y., attended by 203 members and a body of petitioners at Illinois State were voted a charter. Of course Bro. Ridgway of *Everybody's Magazine* was there and he made a first-class address on "Money and the Man." This bit of true poetry is taken from an account of the convention:

The banquet's o'er, the play is done,
 The faces fade, the voices gone;
 The days of mirth, so loth to last
 Have joined the dreamland of the past.
 But inspiration can not die,
 And graven deep in mem'ry lie
 The stalwart forms, the ringing cheer;
 The songs, still faintly sweet, we hear;
 The hand with hand-clasp still a-tingle,
 The clean-cut faces still commingle,
 Reminders dear of God-sent food;
 A taste of glorious brotherhood.

Articles on District Attorney Jerome, Insurance Investigator Hughes, and Publisher Ridgway occupy a large part of this month's issue—all three being particularly prominent at this time.

The scribe would like to be enlightened as to why, in spite of its strength in the North and East, Delta Upsilon has never entered the Universities of Maine, or Vermont, or Dartmouth, New Hampshire. Will some one satisfy him?



Beta Theta Pi is just out with a new catalogue of the fraternity and a review of it occurs in their December magazine. The Betas have had their share of defunct chapters, these numbering twenty, leaving an active chapter list of sixty-eight, with a total membership of some 14,300.

The cost of the book, \$3 to each purchaser, seems pretty high to Alpha Taus who were given an excellently prepared large volume of a like nature for \$1.50. But there is Delta Upsilon with one costing even \$7.

A pretty thorough account is given of the now well-known tragedy that occurred at Kenyon College on October 28th last, in which young Pierson was run over by a railroad train the night set for his initiation into D. K. E. There were some persons in the town of Gambier (Ohio), as well as some out of it, who were idiotic and prejudiced enough to believe the story that Pierson was tied to the track and that this was a part of the initiation. The President of the college gave out a statement to the public, in view of the many sensational articles published regarding the tragedy, and he concludes by saying:

"First, it is not the custom of the D. K. E. fraternity, nor of any other fraternity in Kenyon College, to tie its initiates to the railroad track, nor has there been an instance of the kind established. Barber, the Kenyon freshman who is quoted as having testified that he was tied to the railroad bridge, never made such a statement and never met with such treatment.

"Second, the members of the D. K. E. chapter did not make inquiry from the station agent about the train schedule for that night.

"Third, the bridge was not cleaned (of the blood) by the order of any group of students.

"Fourth, I am not, as alleged, a member of the D. K. E. fraternity nor of any other.

"Fifth, there has been no attempt on the part of the college authorities to stifle investigation. On the contrary, the morning after the accident the fullest inquiries were made by W. P. Reeves, Secretary of the faculty, and myself, and we sent out accurate reports to the press, concealing nothing that we had learned.

"It is also false that either the students or I failed to respond to subpoenas. Indeed, additional witnesses were summoned at our suggestion.

"Stuart Pierson's death is a mystery, for the point to which he was sent is not on the bridge, nor is it in appearance a dangerous place. The only possible explanation is that the boy, who had been up all Friday night waiting for his father, who arrived on a belated train, fell asleep and, waking suddenly, in confusion got into the path of the oncoming train."

There is a well written article on "The High School Fraternity," in the same number and the author arrives at the same conclusion reached by an editorial in last June's PALM. All such words are well worth pondering by those who may have anything to do with these juvenile societies, and he says:

I take it that there has always been about the college fraternity an air of mystery which in itself has been a charm. I believe that in thousands of cases the initiation ceremony has opened before a new student an entirely different vista, and has given an inspiration whose influence has been lasting. The pride of association with his brothers, the consciousness of common interest in a common fraternity, the gratification because of selection by older men, the novelty of the initiation,—all of these have been potent elements of strength to the chapter. Now suppose that a boy has had experience in a high school fraternity. Will he relish the initiation ceremony, especially if the horse-play features are not so ridiculous as those of earlier experiences? Will he be able to appreciate the lessons and suggestions of the ritual as will one who is ignorant of such instructions? Will he enter upon the life and activities of the chapter with the same fresh enthusiasm and ardor that mark his brother who comes to the door of a secret society for the first time?

I have asked these questions of some representative men in leading fraternities, and in every case the answer has been in the negative. In each instance also the opinion has been advanced that membership in a high school "Frat." has elements of evil which should be considered by the college fraternity from the standpoint of self-preservation. The changes in the educational world have been hinted at; our fraternity can not go along in the same old lines without watching every movement that may work to its harm. I assume that our ideal member is one who for four years in

college works faithfully as an active member, and then goes out into the great company of alumni retaining his love for Beta Theta Pi, his belief in the excellence of its ideals, his devotion to its principles. To preserve this notion we have fought vigorously class societies which, on interfraternity basis, have sought to distract our members from their primary allegiance.



False ideals of college life have become rampant in the minds and mouths of many half-educated, half-baked college boys, who have regarded a broken nose and approving howls of a crowd of pleasure-seekers as of greater value than high grades in college studies. It is time to call attention to the fact that the old landmarks still stand; that honor bestowed by a college faculty is real honor; that high scholarship is the most honorable position to be attained in college life, and that the high scholars in college will be the men of mark later in life, regardless of whether their superior worth was recognized properly by their fellow-students or whether their fellow-students gave their loudest acclaim to some touseled-headed fat man because he was more of an ox than some other fellow was.

Having now discovered, or rather rediscovered, the law that high scholarship is the most beneficial thing and the highest honor that a college student can gain, let us act in accordance with this law. Let every college student govern his life in college, and let every fraternity chapter govern its life, in accordance with the true ideal of college life herein set forth.

Morality is the first essential in individual life in college as elsewhere. It is inevitably the first essential in fraternity chapter life. The second essential to success in college and in later life is high scholarship. The student or the fraternity chapter that fails to uphold and to act in accordance with this ideal is selling a noble birthright for a mere mess of pottage. Do not boast of the parties you have given, the invitations you have received, the bones you have broken, the money you have spent, the bets you have made, the "ponies" you have ridden (they carry you over a hedge, but they will land you in a ditch on the other side). No; seek real honors, true worth, and boast of that regardless of whether others realize its value or not. They will later.—*Sigma Nu Delta.*

We have been favored with a very creditable booklet on the "Semi-Centennial Celebration of the Sigma Chi Fraternity," containing the "addresses and other features of the program given at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, June 28, 1905." It was at Oxford that Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi were born, and naturally, according to the volume before us, the greatest was the last! We learn that "toward the middle fifties several of the restless younger set of Delta Kappa Epsilon, writhing under the galling yoke of oppression laid upon them, as they thought, by the older members, rebelled and withdrew, forming another organization out of which grew the glorious fraternity of Sigma Chi in whose honor we are met to-day." Four of their seven founders are still alive and were at the gathering, a memorial tablet was unveiled in the chapel of the university, poems were read, speeches made, medals presented to the four founders, 456 were in attendance, and it must have been a glorious time for the Sigs.

HELLENIC JOTTINGS.

Nebraska, through its faculty, has been trying to prevent the rushing of men until they become sophomores, and to this end, called a meeting of representatives of all the fraternities; these latter were all said to be opposed to the proposed plan and the success of the conference, at last accounts, was doubtful.

A Pan-Hellenic council has recently been organized at Rutgers College, New Jersey. The news also comes that Ohio Wesleyan University has followed suit.

"As I look among colleges that have no fraternities, I can not see that they are better for it, or that their graduates are more loyal. I can not see that there is a better spirit among the students, or that they are more closely drawn together. I can not think that their alumni revert in mind so happily to college days, or return in after years with such pleasure as those with fraternity affiliations. * * * If it be argued that the fraternity gives to one advantages that are denied another, I must admit that this is true. There is

nothing in life that is worth having that comes to all people. Some are denied wealth, some education, happiness and even health."—*Frank Wieland, in the Rainbow, of Delta Tau Delta.*

Amherst College has introduced the honor system in examinations this year, and the competitive system in electing managers is also being given a trial. This latter is said to be intended to prevent fraternity "deals".

The Delta Tau Deltas and the Alpha Tau Omegas have, this Fall, moved into new quarters somewhat nearer the campus.—*Lehigh Correspondence in Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

Kappa Alpha is the pioneer at Oklahoma University, Norman, Okla., having entered there last November.

Three Southern institutions had their Fall opening delayed on account of the yellow fever epidemic in those parts. Tulane was delayed thirty days, Louisiana State about as much, and Mississippi State five or six weeks. Louisiana reports a large increase in students, however.

At the University of California the inter-fraternity society, Skull and Keys, is composed of eight of the twenty-two fraternities there.

Beta Theta Pi entered Iowa State College on November 25th.

Wofford College, South Carolina, enforces the one-year rule regarding the initiation of freshmen.

Richmond College, Richmond, Va., has six fraternities and one sorority with two hundred and fifty students. A. T. O. has no chapter there.

William and Mary College, Virginia, the venerable institution which saw the birth of the first Greek-letter fraternity, is rejoicing in the largest number of students secured in many years.

A remarkable incident which took place recently was the initiation by Sigma Chi of a man who was expelled by Kappa Alpha last Spring.—*Central University of Kentucky in S. A. E. Record.*

He was a man who had been expelled for violating his oath. Sigma Chi is welcome to him.—*K. A. Journal.*

The Texas Greeks are threatened by the renewal of the periodical anti-fraternity crusade which, as yet, has not assumed anything like formidable proportions. The unpleasantness arose from a number of fraternities introducing some public forms of a "third degree," of which a number of reformers, ignorant of fraternity and even university conditions, have sought to make capital.—*Univ. of Texas, Correspondence in K. A. Journal.*

Kappa Sigma entered Idaho University in September last. An article in the *Caduceus* furnishes these extracts concerning the rather youthful institution:

In the fourteen years of its existence the university has taken its place among the highest of educational institutions on the Pacific Coast. The courses offered and the work done are equal to that of the best collegiate institutions in the country. Her graduates take rank with those of any other university. The attendance in college, though not exceedingly large, is now on a rapid increase. The enrollment for the present year may safely be estimated at 225. When it is considered that the State has existed less than a score of years and is still in the beginning of her development, it will be seen that the present attendance is not to be considered too small. The growth and development of high schools in the State in the last decade is making a means for preparation for college. The fruits of their labors are just being gathered and it is certain that the high schools will now furnish students enough to double the university enrollment every four years, until such time as the State shall have reached its full development.

Though the only collegiate institution in the State, the university is not isolated but has relations with many other colleges. There are held contests with the Universities of Washington, Oregon and Montana, Washington State College, Whitman College and Montana Agricultural College, in football baseball and track athletics. In the field of oratory and debate there are intercollegiate contests with Washington, Oregon, Montana and Utah Universities, Washington State College and Whitman College. In all these contests Idaho has maintained excellent records. Only one game of football was lost last season, and all her intercollegiate debates were won.

The university is not a large institution—not yet. The buildings are few, but good to look upon. There are more under construction, and when the large mining building is completed they will form a semicircle upon a site that for artistic effect is unrivaled. The faculty is composed of young men who have an earnest and enthusiastic faith in the institution and the State. The president is a big, ninety-horse-power man, a trained scholar in economics and combines the qualities of scholarly capacity and business acumen—the essential mixture in a college president in this vast country where to think and do, head work and hand work, go together.

"The recent entrance of Sigma Nu, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Beta Theta Pi at this (Iowa State) college is an indica-

tion that fraternities are disposed to recognize more generally than formerly the institutions which are devoted mainly to the applied sciences. However, fraternities have had chapters in such institutions for many years. The first fraternity entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1853; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1873; Stevens Institute of Technology, 1874; Purdue University, 1875; Alabama Polytechnic Institute, 1878; Case School of Applied Science, 1885; Georgia School of Technology, 1888; Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 1889; Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, 1893; Rose Polytechnic Institute, 1893; Armour Institute of Technology, 1898. In these institutions there are chapters of every well known fraternity except (five). The entrance requirements are generally less than they are in colleges devoted to the liberal arts, but the requirements of the scientific courses are much more severe than the requirements for a literary degree in ordinary colleges. In many institutions where fraternities are numerous, Cornell and Lehigh for example, the students in the practical sciences form a large percentage of the student body, and the fraternities never discriminate against such students in rushing.

“Fraternities have also entered two state schools of mines, one at Golden, Colo., in 1901, and the other at Rolla, Mo., in 1903. The wonder is that they do not enter the State school of mines at Houghton, Mich.; and if the State agricultural and mechanical college at Ames, Iowa, is recognized, why not the State agricultural and mechanical college at Lansing, Mich.? We believe the institutions at Houghton and Lansing rank as the equal or superior of such institutions in other states, though they appear to be boycotted by fraternities.”
—*Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.*



EDITORIAL.



THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.

THE name of Anderson is so often linked with that of Glazebrook and the others who, collectively, constitute the fathers of the Fraternity, that no apology is offered for devoting so much space to a delineation of the life and labors of the first mentioned brother. For, besides acquainting the present generation of Alpha Taus with the details of a most interesting and useful career, the article referred to serves the purpose of commemorating to some degree, at least, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the birth of the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM, the founding of which was not among the least of the many good and beneficent deeds which Bro. Anderson performed for the Fraternity and for which the Fraternity is undoubtedly grateful. We had, indeed, hoped to present in this issue a succinct history of our official journal with some account of its various editors, but we were unable to secure the necessary data, in consequence whereof we have been compelled to forego this feature until a later issue and substitute what is believed will be quite as acceptable and fully as valuable.

This, then, is our twenty-fifth anniversary. Founded in 1880, when the fraternity was as yet in its infancy, the PALM has kept pace with the marvellous growth of the Fraternity, ever watchful of her interests and always careful of her welfare. When the PALM was founded, Alpha Tau Omega was a decade and a half old and was confined, geographically (with the exception of a Northern community chapter) to the territory South of the historic Mason & Dixon's line. Since then a quarter of a century has passed on and by. With principles unaltered, through courage and by faith, the Fraternity has pushed onward, expanding when necessary, and contracting

when desirable, until to-day in North and South, true and noble men to the number of eight thousand have been bound together in the ties of a common fraternity, common hopes and aspirations. Truly a complete justification of those thoughtful and earnest boys, old and wise beyond their years, who, in a little room in Richmond at the close of an unparalleled fratricidal strife, laid deep, strong and true the foundations of an organization designed to heal up the nation's wounds by binding its young men, regardless of section or creed, in an undivisible union of hearts, hands and souls.

The PALM has had a varied career. During the twenty-five years of its existence it has had no less than twelve editors and has moved its office of publication at least ten times. Names such as Anderson, Glazebrook, Bacheller, Baker, Ehle, Thomas—all of them luminous in our annals—have been identified with it in various capacities. The best that the Fraternity had was at its disposal and freely consecrated in its cause. The best that its editors could give, the utmost, the last measure of devotion was sacrificed most willingly in its behalf. Nothing in our history as a Fraternity is quite so pathetic as that picture of poor Stanley Briggs struggling amid the Adirondacks with an incurable disease, inditing pages of this journal, the while the angel of death stood by his bed and beckoned him on to the Chapter Eternal!

Such is a glimpse of our past. What of the future? There is no doubt that the Fraternity will continue in its triumphant march. Will the PALM follow as it has so far? Only the Fraternity can determine that, but we feel assured that when the next twenty-five years shall have passed this journal will still be laboring to make greater a great Fraternity and more useful a useful PALM.



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It is with great satisfaction that we are able to report a most remarkable increase of interest in the PALM throughout the Fraternity. When we assumed the office of Editor, it was frankly announced that the expenditures must in no wise

exceed the income of the journal, and to make this possible, called for at least one thousand subscribers. The campaign thus instituted met with instant and popular approval and while we still require several thousand subscribers before we shall have attained the desired goal, the results thus far achieved are so entirely gratifying that we are resolved to continue our labors in this respect until we can point to a subscription list of one thousand alumni.

It is not to be for a moment understood that the results now reported were attained alone by editorial solicitation. Aid and assistance have come from all quarters and from various sources, and to them is due most of the praise for this material increase in our income. In Ohio our cause has been most ably championed by "Uncle George" Schwartz, of the Wooster chapter, to whom we are under sincere obligations for no less than ten alumni subscriptions. More than that, Ohio has organized a PALM Subscription Bureau, which under the leadership of Bro. Chas. H. Hall, of Ohio Alpha Psi promises to secure most of the Ohio brethren on our list before the end of the present year. Bro. A. W. McCord, than whom there is no more loyal Tau, communicated with no less than fifty Alpha Taus in our behalf, and added fifteen names.

Bros. Miller, of Denver; Coates, of Cleveland; Connor, of Philadelphia; Wherstedt, of Chicago; and many others have identified themselves with the work and are now laboring unceasingly for names and money. The active chapters have likewise been engaged in furthering the cause. From reports at hand, many of them, have been eager and earnest in their endeavors to solicit their alumni and have in many instances addressed circular letters to the graduate contingent on this subject. All in all, the Fraternity has at length seen the necessity of making adequate provision for the PALM and it is now only a question of time and labor until the journal is placed on a satisfactory and self-sustaining basis.

In this connection, we again desire to invoke the co-operation of the entire Fraternity in this matter. With a little more aid and a more united and more general effort we can very soon attain our ends and the Fraternity will be so much

the better not only by reason of our increased income, but also because the alumni will be better informed of the progress and state of the Order.



YE EDITOR REGISTERS A KICK.

A letter from the Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals conveys the startling information that but one Province has complied *in toto* with the provisions of the law respecting the annals and records of the Fraternity enacted at the New York Congress last December. This lamentable state of affairs calls for something more than a mere reprimand, for as we view it, so manifest a dereliction of plain duty is as reprehensible as it is calamitous.

Doubtless some of the Provincial Chiefs are in some degree responsible for this negligence, though our experience with chapter officials leads us to suspect that the officers and members of the active chapters are primarily culpable. In the first place, the active members are to be rebuked for placing in the office of W. K. of A., brothers who are either grossly incompetent or naturally negligent. Nevertheless, once elected, no officer, and least of all, a W. K. of A., can offer a single valid excuse for this failure to comply with our laws. Not only were the printed proceedings of the last Congress containing this new law promptly distributed to all the chapters, but the Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals issued a very neat booklet describing the new system so minutely and so completely that even a child could understand it. And yet the law is a dead letter. In view of this, and similar occurrences, is it not pertinent to inquire of what utility a Congress can be or is, when its edicts are countermanded, disregarded, and in effect repealed by men who seemingly set their judgment above the legislative enactments of the highest body in the corporation. In our opinion, this shiftlessness, this disregard for law, this negligence on the part of officers must either be met with stern and merited punishment or, sooner or later, the Fraternity will be called upon to pay the inevitable price of incompetency and negligence.

We are not disposed, as are some of our brothers, to overlook these frequent lapses of duty and charge them to immaturity and inexperience. If Alpha Tau Omega is worth anything to a man it behooves him to prove it by a *bona fide* effort to rigidly and faithfully perform every duty, however onerous, constitutionally and legally assigned to him, and the sooner the active element realizes this fact, the better for the Fraternity, the Chapters, and withal, the men. For after all, a man is no better than his worst habit, and a habit of carelessness, thoughtlessness, and remissness contracted while at college is apt to follow one into the active walks of mature manhood and there undermine and negate an otherwise strong and trusted man. Every college fraternity is called upon to suffer the inconvenience consequent upon these errors of omission till one wonders, how, even in spite of it all, college fraternities have attained to the proud distinction now accorded them. No one appreciates this more than the editors of the various Greek journals who are the constant target of persistent negligence and hopeless incompetency. Ask any editor of any Greek fraternity magazine what his greatest obstacle is and his answer in effect will be found in the above words. The writer of these lines is no exception and if the good brothers would realize this, they would learn to spell, punctuate and write as befits one who pretends to learning and culture. Letters delayed two weeks, written on both sides of the paper, in an unintelligible hand, unpunctuated, and far too long for these pages—these things are the bane of an editor's existence. Indeed, brethren of the active Chapters, your good wishes and your numerous compliments which you have generously heaped upon the Editor are greatly and heartily appreciated, but you will aid more in easing editorial burdens by a compliance, prompt and correct, with his requests for letters and copy.

We have felt called upon to discuss this matter at this great length, not only because we have been seriously embarrassed by these slipshod and careless methods, but also because we view with alarm the gradual formation of a sentiment and the employment of certain methods that are suf-

ficiently potent to set at naught enactments and laws which have meant hours of toil and thought on the part of the authors,—good, unselfish men of life's active walks who are zealously laboring to advance Alpha Tau Omega and her cause. We are not unreasonable, nor unmindful of the other duties which call for the greater portion of a college man's attention, but we still insist that the legal decrees of Alpha Tau Omega must be obeyed, in spite of any sacrifice entailed, promptly, efficiently and correctly. That much the Fraternity has a perfect right to demand of its votaries—that much it *does* demand and should insist upon, and the performance of less is a crime against the Fraternity and a hindrance to its welfare.



THE NEW CHAPTER.

HOWEVER we may differ on the abstract question of extension, there can be but one question as to the advisability of grasping the many excellent opportunities which the West and Northwest continually presents to our view. Conceding that all considerations point to the erection and maintenance of a successful and a worthy chapter, the situation presents but two alternatives. Either we must embrace it, or allow a more aggressive rival to pre-empt what is rightfully ours. The University of Washington presented an opportunity of this nature and the Fraternity, in spite of its refusal to enter other, larger and older universities, most sensibly decided to float its banners at this Coast institution. The University of Washington is a growing school. It is in the heart of the best and most prosperous section in the United States, and draws its patronage from a class of men who are strong in mind, body and conscience because struggle, with its attendant defeats and victories, has made them so. This is the class of men who have entered our ranks at Washington. We are confident that the welfare of Alpha Tau Omega has been entrusted to good and capable hands, and Washington Gammi Pi will be a valuable and potent addition to our already formidable ranks in the West. We, accordingly, bid them wel-

come to our fraternal fireside and send with our best wishes the hope of the Fraternity that a thorough appreciation of what we are, and hope to be, will aid them in the creation of the Alpha Tau type at Washington, which is known wherever Alpha Tau Omega has its being.



THE PROVINCE CONCLAVES.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY witnessed the gathering of fully three hundred Alpha Taus at three different points within the Fraternity in the capacity of members and officers of various provinces. The Ohio province met for the sixteenth time in as many years, while the conclaves in the fourth and fifth provinces were maiden efforts, but quite as successful and as largely attended as that held in the Buckeye State. Indeed, the reports of the meetings published elsewhere in these pages indicate that the meetings were highly and contagiously enthusiastic and of incalculable benefit to the Fraternity generally, and particularly to that portion of the body corporate situated in the locality where the conclaves assembled. The recommendation of Bro. Lamar, while Worthy Grand Chief, that province conclaves be held whenever and wherever possible has attained a new significance since these meetings, for they have amply vindicated everything he said for them. Aside from the potent fact that they bring Tau and Tau together in a social and fraternal way, they constitute the most valuable method (with the exception of the Congress) of formulating and securing the opinion of the membership on policies and conditions, and it is conceived that the Fraternity can never go far wrong if it will study the proceedings of these unofficial and extra-constitutional bodies and form its policies in accordance with their desires.

During the next quarter the brethren of Georgia and Michigan will meet in State conclaves and we trust both will be quite as successful as those already recorded.

FENN RESIGNS!

JUST as we are about to go to press, we learn, from an official source, of the resignation of Bro. Chas. H. Fenn, from the office of Worthy Grand Chief. Our informant has not supplied this office with any reasons for this rather unexpected action and we can only surmise that a stress of other duties compelled this step. Bro. Fenn was elected to the office at the New York Congress, and while his employment as the Assistant Manager of the Manhattan district of the Aetna Life Insurance Company required almost undivided attention, he was nevertheless able, by an almost super-human effort, to devote a large portion of his time to the engrossing duties of the chief office of the Fraternity. However, lately, Bro. Fenn has been away from the Metropolitan City for such great lengths of time that he was practically unable to attend to the proper and necessary functions of his office, and he intimated to the Editor, while in Allentown, that his resignation must follow for the benefit of the Fraternity. Barring the later inability to attend to the routine duties and demands of the office, Bro. Fenn was a most excellent executive, a thoroughly capable official, an ideal Worthy Grand Chief, and we are sorry to see him retire from active participation in the affairs of the Fraternity. We feel assured, however, that his loyalty is unabated, that his familiar voice will still be heard in our chambers and that his heart still beats true to our objects and principles.

Bro. Fenn's successor has not been announced, but we have no doubt that the High Council will speedily name one who will take up Bro. Fenn's labors at the point he suddenly ceased.



KIND WORDS.

SINCE the present management assumed control of the PALM, it has received numerous cordial words of approval and commendation, which are reluctantly denied publication on account of our rather limited space. This circumstance compels this general acknowledgement, only adding thereto our

sincere appreciation of the pre-eminently generous and fraternal spirit which condoned many defects and regarded our merits alone. We assure our readers that the coming year will see us continuing in our unstinted labors to produce a journal which will not only adequately represent Alpha Tau Omega abroad, but also fulfill its mission and purpose within the Fraternity. For the attainment of these ends, we again invite all to co-operate with us.

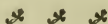
In this connection we can not forbear to publish a portion of an unsolicited letter recently received from the D. L. Auld Co., one of our advertisers, which coming from an entirely impartial source, is highly prized:

"We have occasionally looked over the PALM, when received at this office, and wish to take this opportunity to express our congratulations on the character of the publication. We have a good opportunity of comparing it with magazines of similar character and believe it to be one of the best published by any fraternity."



NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS.

THE last quarter has seen the organization of two new alumni associations, namely, one by our Detroit brothers, the other composed of Minnesota brethren. Both of them are under the fostering care of earnest brothers and we predict the accomplishment of much good through these associations as a medium. The association at Detroit had almost become a necessity, and in view of the fact that for many years Alpha Tau Omega has had four chapters within the State of Michigan, it seems rather mysterious that an association for the alumni of these chapters was not thought of or organized long ago. The Minnesota Association while it may not fill a long standing want is still a most desirable adjunct to the Fraternity in the Northwest where its opportunities for striking effective blows for the Order are unlimited.



A NEW PROVINCIAL CHIEF.

THE office of Provincial Chief of Province I, made vacant by the resignation of Bro. Vassar L. Allen, Alabama Alpha Epsilon, has been filled by the appointment of Bro. J. Samuel

Slicer, Virginia Beta, of Atlanta, Georgia. Bro. Allen held the position from which he now retires for almost six years and has served the Fraternity most acceptably during that time. Indeed his retirement at this time would seriously embarrass the work of the Fraternity were it not that the Worthy Grand Chief was able to secure the acceptance of Bro. Slicer to this position. Bro. Slicer has for many years been a leader in the South and the office is again confided to good and able hands. The Fraternity need look for no variation of the good record established in the South by reason of the enforced change in the executive of the first province.



THE SONG BOOK.

WE are glad to be enabled to announce that at last the Fraternity is in hopes of being placed in the possession of a Song Book at an early date. The manuscript was completed before the New York Congress convened and that body ordered its publication when sufficient funds were subscribed. This time has evidently now arrived, for Worthy Grand Chief Fenn has ordered the publication of the work at an early date and to that end has placed the matter in the hands of Pennsylvania Tau with instructions to have the book printed and distributed at the earliest possible date. We are assured by the brethren of our Pennsylvania chapter that they will perform their duties in this matter with the utmost promptness and dispatch.



CHAPTER LETTERS.

FOR the second consecutive time since the present editor was installed, he is able to present a letter from each active chapter in the Fraternity. In the light of experiences in the past this is an accomplishment for which the chapters and their correspondents are entitled to a great deal of credit. To gather all these letters is no small task, but we feel so much encouraged that we propose to have a letter from each chapter in each issue of the PALM during the coming year and possibly present in the next number a letter from each alumni association in addition to the letters from the active chapters.

PALM DUES.

THE PALM dues for the year 1906 are now payable to the Worthy Grand Keeper of Exchequer, and it is desirable, if not necessary, that the active chapters remit the amounts owing at an early date. We are informed that at least sixteen active chapters have not paid their dues for 1905, and we have withheld copies of this issue until the same have been paid. We insist that the chapters meet all of their obligations to the PALM promptly and trust that the chapters will aid the financial officer of the Fraternity in collection of these amounts.



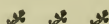
AN ALUMNI DIRECTORY.

THE Cleveland Alumni Association has issued a very neat Directory of the alumni resident in that city. Local directories are conceded to be of great value, not only to the associations publishing them, but likewise to the Fraternity generally, and we feel like advocating their publication wherever and whenever practicable.



BACK NUMBERS.

BRO. GEORGE J. SCHWARTZ, Ohio Beta Mu, Wooster, Ohio, has collected and bound for his chapter a file of the PALM, which is complete with the exception that the first, second, third and fifth numbers of the first volume are needed. If any brother to whose notice these lines may come desires to dispose of the said numbers he will do well to inform our Bro. Schwartz.



NEXT NUMBER.

THE next issue of the PALM will go to press on May 15th. Chapter correspondents will greatly aid us in the discharge of our duties by sending their quarterly letters not later than May 5th.

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- N. C. Xi, Trinity College, Durham, N. C., Fred Flowers.
- S. C. Beta Xi, College of Charleston, Charleston, S. C., Calhoun A. Mays.
- Va. Delta, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., W. P. Herbert.

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PROVINCE VII—OHIO.

Rev. Paul R. Hickok, *Provincial Chief*, Delaware Ohio.

Ohio Alpha Nu, Mt. Union College, Alliance, O., Frank W. Smith, A. T. O. House, 230 E. State St.

Ohio Alpha Psi, Wittenberg College, Springfield, O., C. Dale Christie, A. T. O. House, 246 Ferncliffe Avenue.

Ohio Beta Eta, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, O., G. R. Kingham, A. T. O. House.

Ohio Beta Mu, Wooster University, Wooster, O., G. Lyle Ringland.

Ohio Beta Omega, Ohio State University, Columbus, O., J. T. Hoffman, A. T. O. House, 1356 Neil Street.

Ohio Gamma Kappa, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., J. H. Dellinger, A. T. O. House, 2171 Cornell Road.

PROVINCE VIII—TENNESSEE.

Thos. F. P. Henderson, *Provincial Chief*, Franklin, Tenn.

Tenn. Alpha Tau, Southwestern Presbyterian University, Clarksville, Tenn., Jas. B. Guthrie.

Tenn. Beta Pi, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., R. W. Billington, 715 Fifth Avenue.

Tenn. Beta Tau, Southwestern Baptist University, Jackson, Tenn., A. A. Proctor, Adams Hall.

Tenn. Omega, University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., Chas. Puckette, A. T. O. House.

Tenn. Pi, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn., R. H. Peoples.

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Atlanta, John W. Pascal, care Atlanta *Journal*, Atlanta, Ga.

Birmingham, Clark Williams, Birmingham, Ala.

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Georgia, E. A. Werner, Atlanta, Ga.

Kansas City, E. R. Morrison, N. Y. Life Ins Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

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School of Mines and Metallurgy, Rolla.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, COLUMBIA AND ROLLA

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Live Stock Judging,
Power House.

Dairy

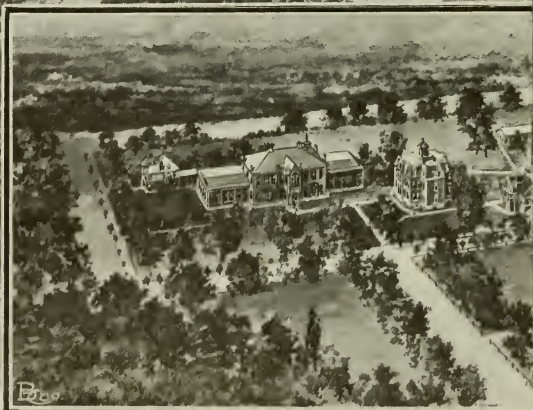
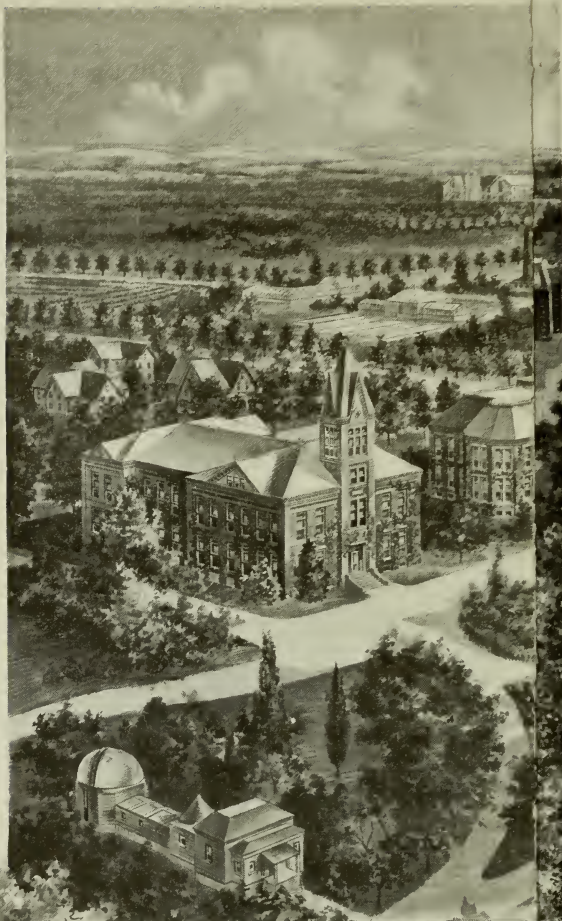
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Read Hall.
Horticulture.

Geology.
President's House.
Chemistry.
Law.

Rollins Field.
Academic Hall.
The Columns.
Observatory.

Power House.
Mechanic Arts.
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Agricultural Hall

Benton Hall.
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THE SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY.

THE University at Clarksville, was founded in the year 1879. Dr. John N. Waddel was its first Chancellor. It began its existence in response to the demand for a great southern Presbyterian university. The war had left the country desolate and consequent impoverishment was the chief difficulty to be overcome. Besides this, there were in other sections of the country certain institutions like Davidson, Hampden-Sidney, which demanded support and the fostering care of the sections where they were located. The prayers and hopes of the church were realized principally through the persistent and the tireless efforts of Dr. John B. Shearer, President of what was then known as Steward College. Steward College was located at Clarksville and an additional offer of fifty thousand dollars induced the Synods interested to locate the proposed University in that city. Dr. Waddel, the first chancellor of the University, had been Secretary of Education of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

The design of the University was to afford an institution of classical and scientific learning for the Mississippi Valley. "If a line be drawn just South of Westminster College, Missouri, and Central University, Kentucky, and East of Arkansas College, and then West of King College on the Tennessee and Virginia line, and the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, we shall have enclosed a region, lying between Missouri and Kentucky on the North, and the Gulf of Mexico on the South, which embraces an area of about half a million square miles. It will thus be seen how important a point Clarksville is for the Valley of the Presbyterian Church."

Special emphasis is laid at this Institution on the study of the English Bible. It is made a requirement to the conferring of any degree, and required of all students.

In 1885 the School of Divinity was organized. The chair of Systematic Theology was named "The Palmer Professorship" in honor of Dr. Palmer, whose people contributed liberally to its establishment, and whose own interest was so great. In 1905 the "School of Medicine" and "School of Law" were added.

The material equipment is plain and simple, but complete and ample for the necessities of three hundred students. Buildings have been erected as needed. Waddel Hall, is named in honor of Dr. Waddel, is a modern building and has in it, the laboratory, three recitation rooms, the hall of Alpha Tau Omega and the library and reading room. An excellent library and a comfortable reading room are not the least of our material equipment. In Steward Hall, which is joined with Waddel, are the Y. M. C. A. lecture room and parlor, together with a large auditorium wherein are held our public gatherings. The gymnasium, too, is in this building and is a most excellent feature.

The campus contains about twenty-five acres of naturally beautiful ground, ornamented with magnificent trees, and well set in blue grass and clover. Brick and gravel walks and driveways intersect it in different directions. The University has always been fortunate in the character and attainment of its Professors. The name of Rev. Dr. R. A. Weab is known all over the South for his standing in the theological world. Dr. Nicolassen of the chairs of Greek and German is none the less famous in his branch.

Since the coming of Dr. Neander M. Wood, the Institution has made wonderful strides. After some two or three years agitation about removal to Atlanta, the object being to build a large all-southern Presbyterian university, Dr. Wood, of Louisville, Ky., was called to the Chancellorship, and although he took the reins under the disadvantage of the agitation spoken of, he has done more than the most optimistic could have desired or hoped for. He is a man of unusual attain-



MAIN BUILDING--SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY.

ment and a tireless worker. Through his efforts we have been able to do much for athletics and other student work.

One feature of the work done at the University which is worthy of note is the attention paid to oratory. As a testimonial of the excellence attained in this line, the records of the Tennessee Intercollegiate Oratorical Association show that of the eight annual contests held, the representatives from the Southwestern Presbyterian University have come off victors in six. This phase of literary effort is fostered and developed by the literary societies, of which there are two. The keen spirit of rivalry which exists between them insures the maintaining of the standard already set.

There are four fraternities in the University at present, with a membership of about forty-five. Tennessee Alpha Tau was founded April 19, 1882, by the absorption of the Theta chapter of the Alpha Gamma fraternity. The faculty of the University previous to this date had been opposed to fraternities, and this one had existed *sub rosa*. When Alpha Gamma was dissolved, most of the members of Theta chapter united in a petition for a charter from Alpha Tau Omega. This was formally granted in the Spring of 1882. The members of the first chapter were Bros. Anthony, Gregory, Trawick, Kennedy and McAlpine. At this time two other fraternities entered here, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Sigma. During the remainder of this year no business of importance was transacted. The following session found only two returned members, Bros. Gregory and Trawick. Five were soon added to this number. Since that time Alpha Tau has had many experiences. Once or twice it was feared the charter would be withdrawn; but through the noble efforts of a few very loyal Alpha Taus she was enabled to keep her place and to preserve her station in spite of strong competition with the other fraternities.

The present year finds her in the most prosperous condition in her history. The present chapter roll of seventeen is the largest ever recorded and our place in university life is enviable and noteworthy.

Since the founding of the chapter 125 men have been initiated. The fraternities here do not own houses but occupy rooms in the different University buildings. Our chapter has a deed to a lot on the campus for a chapter house, should we find ourselves at any time in a position to build. Plans were drawn and a fund started for the purpose of building, but anti-fraternity spirit caused us to abandon for the time being, the intention. We hope in the near future to have our wishes realized.

During its career at this University, Alpha Tau has occupied always a creditable place, especially in literary and athletic fields. In the present year she is none the less prominent, and the prospects for the future are as assuring as we could hope for.

GEORGE LANG.

AT NIGHT.

The shadows of a summer's day were spread,
And weary Earth lay tucked beneath their fold;
The distant bells their curfew notes had tolled,
And all was still and silent as the dead.
In dewy tears a blossom raised its head
And shed its fragrance, till the night was old,
To Buttercup and Pink and Marigold,
All slumbering idly on their verdant bed.

Then o'er the eastern hills the golden light
Of morn came creeping, till it reached the west
Where sank the shadows far below the sight;
While everywhere the jocund rays caressed
The flowers. They woke! They smiled in splendor bright!
And no one dreamed that one had gone to rest.

JOHN A. MCCOLLOM, JR.,
Pa. Alpha Iota.



WADDELL AND STEWART BUILDING—SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

COLUMBIA, Missouri, the home of the University of Missouri, is spoken of as the "Athens of Missouri," and it would seem the claim is justified. Not only is it a typical college town, but a center of wealth, culture and aristocracy as well. Outside of the State University, and entirely separate, we find two large schools for young women. Both are of high standing and draw students from the best families, one being under the control of the Christian Church and the other Baptist. In addition are a large Normal Academy and a Military School. As a result the quiet old town of 7,000 inhabitants has been transformed in recent years into a study center. But there is still a phase of its life which has as yet been affected but little by the changed conditions. It is the atmosphere of the old southern aristocracy. These families still retain their inviting old homesteads surrounded by large wooded grounds, tend to hold themselves aloof from college activities and reserve to a greater or a less extent the traditions of their forefathers. For this community was settled early in the nineteenth century by Virginia and Kentucky families. Columbia itself presents a peculiar aspect. A combination brought about by the passing of the old and a coming of the new. The streets are broad and shaded, and the old fashioned stepping stones are still in use at the crossings. In the residence districts is frequently found a modern home with student accommodations or a professor's cottage adjoining an ancient and spacious homestead. The brick walkage was apparently omitted for very few are to be found. The pedestrian consequently often steps from a modern cement on to a primitive plank walk bored with the regulation holes for drainage, or frequently has his choice between the two, depending upon which side of the street he chooses to walk. In most county seats the size of Columbia, the court house is a distinctive feature, and the pride of the citizens. The one here is also worthy of a word. The interest however attaches

not because of any beauty of architecture, but rather for the part it played in scenes which have passed away. Its broad stone steps served as an auction block for the sale of slaves in the *ante-bellum* days, and during the war it was headquarters for first the one side and then the other as the town was taken and retaken. It still bears many scars and marks of the violence of those days. The town however is rapidly yielding to the demand for modern improvements caused by the growth of the University, and all things considered, it would be a difficult matter for the State to find a better location for its educational center.

The University is located in the southern part of Columbia, and stretching away to the South and East is the State Farm of 618 acres. The campus consists of 32 acres with the buildings arranged on three sides of a perfectly level quadrangle. One of the most prominent marks of the school and one peculiarly its own, is the group of six mammoth stone columns which adorn the center of the quadrangle. They guarded the entrance to the old university building which was destroyed by fire in 1892. Not only has a small gold model of one been adopted as the senior class pin, but the general reverence has found expression in the songs of the school, none of which would be complete without:—

“Gathered 'round thy stately Columns
Sweetest memories ere will cling.”

or a similar tribute. But most impressive is the scene of commencement week, when the graduating class join hands, and forming a circle around their ivy grown base, blend their voices and tears in the strains of “Old Missouri, Fair Missouri” as a farewell tribute to their *Alma Mater*.

The University was closed during the Civil War as it was in the midst of the border fighting. The campus was occupied at various times as a camping ground by both armies. It was reopened in 1865. Women were first admitted in 1869 to the Normal Department only, but later to all departments. There are at present nearly 500 enrolled and the standard of the Missouri University girls is considered very high. The total enrollment of the school this year passed the 2,000 mark and

if the flourishing condition of the last two years continues the time is not far distant when the coveted 3,000 will be claimed.

The professors and instructors number 115. They are wide awake progressive men most of whom have done their work in our big eastern or European universities. It is a productive faculty also as is shown by the President's annual report of university publications.

As is the case with many state universities, Missouri has never been adequately provided for by legislative appropriations. For years it was necessary in order to get a much needed allowance through the legislature, the members being mostly from the rural districts, to tack it on to an appropriation to the Agricultural Department. More substantial aid has been given in recent years however, and the prospects are still brighter for the future. The School of Mines and Metallurgy is located at Rolla, Mo., while the following departments are at Columbia together with the date of opening of each; Academic, 1841; Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, 1870; Law, 1872; Medicine, 1873; Engineering, 1874. There is also a department known as the Teachers' College and Missouri is said to be the only State University having such. A chair of Journalism is being watched with great interest since being recently established. The following are the university buildings at Columbia: Academic Hall, Zoology and Geology, Chemistry, Law, Observatory, Medicine, Parker Hospital, Agriculture, Engineering Hall, Engineering Laboratories, Mechanic Arts, Horticulture, Stock Judging, Dairy, Gymnasium, Power House, and the following dormitories: Benton, Lathrop and Lowry Halls for men, and Read Hall for women. The endowment is \$1,240,000; value of buildings and equipment, \$3,000,000; and annual income, \$480,000.

There is one thing a student of this school is never allowed to forget and that is that he is attending the University of Missouri. Missourians as a rule are proud of their State, and they are also proud of its University. Their pride in both cases is pardonable, and it is to be hoped will result in a support from both the students of the State and the legislature which the good work it is doing deserves. Be it said however

they have not cultivated pride at the expense of courtesy. The reception of new students is whole hearted, full handed, and genuinely hospitable.

Student life at Missouri is student life and nothing more. The town is small and of course lacks many of the attractions of our larger cities. In addition it is rather isolated not being on a railroad, but depending for such accommodations upon two spurs which connect with main lines at a distance of nine and twenty-two miles respectively. Neither are we favored with convenience of a street car system or the presence of a theatre. While these features are missed in a way, their absence is not altogether a misfortune. The student then finds less to draw him from his studies and since it is a six day school these must needs have a little attention. It also increases interest in athletic teams with which the University is always well represented, and incites more enthusiasm in the various college activities. Consequently the students must fall back on their own resources for the social life of the school. Dances, receptions, musicals and band concerts together with special celebrations for the various departments are resorted to, while the Quadrangle Club, a local dramatic organization, serves as a substitute for better theatrical productions. The Spring Music Festival which is held several days and nights each May is worthy of mention. It is a genuine treat for all lovers of classical music and the crowning musical event of the year. Of course in such surroundings the fraternities play an important part in the social life. Their annuals, informals, picnics and smokers are events eagerly awaited. There was a time many years ago when the faculty determined to exterminate such organizations, and there is a pretty story to the effect that a member of the local chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma but who was not in school at the time, secretly buried the charter so that the members of the chapter could not surrender it as the faculty demanded, but could truthfully assert their ignorance as to its whereabouts. This opposition from the faculty however has long since disappeared, nor is any hostility manifested by the student body in general, but rather a very friendly feeling seems to exist for the various Greek Letter organizations.



TENNESSEE ALPHA TAU CHAPTER.

Following is a list of fraternities as well as the date of founding of the local chapters :

Phi Delta Theta, 1870,	Sigma Chi, 1896,
Kappa Kappa Gamma (women), 1875,	Kappa Sigma, 1898,
Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1883,	Pi Beta Phi (women), 1899,
Sigma Nu, 1883,	Phi Gamma Delta, 1899,
Beta Theta Pi, 1890,	Delta Tau Delta, 1905,
Kappa Alpha (southern), 1891,	Alpha Tau Omega, 1906.

In addition are chapters of the following :

Phi Delta Phi (Law),	Tau Beta Pi (Engineering),
Theta Nu Epsilon,	Phi Beta Kappa (Academic),
Sigma Xi (Science),	and Phi Beta Pi (Medical).

G. C. DAVIS.

THE MAN WHO CAN DO THINGS.

(*Birmingham News.*)

"The man who can do things," is the one to-day,
 Needed by the world, with something to say
 In affairs of thought, of life, and of state;
 He who works early, and he who works late.

The man who faces the difficult things,
 That make weak men quaver — the underlings.
 The man with a powerful grip on life,
 Who enters the field, regardless of strife.

The man, kind and gentle; brave, true and strong,
 Staunth for the right, defying the wrong,
 Giving a handshake, or, giving a smile,
 He drives home the fact, "This life is worth while."

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Don't envy this man, to whom the world brings
 It's plaudits and honors, for "he can do things."

LOU H. PUTNAM,
Ga. Alpha Theta.

MISSOURI GAMMA RHO.

It will not be well nor wise to make idle boasts or predictions as to the glowing future or great victories to be won by A. T. O. at Missouri. Such things depend as in all our chapters upon the individual members and upon the continued fertility of the soil which nourishes it. But it is true and perhaps pardonable that a bunch of fellows having just received their charter are very apt to make such a mistake because of their unrestrained enthusiasm. So leaving other thoughts unexpressed, Missouri Gamma Rho seeks permission to simply say that the baby chapter will ever strive to be a real credit and honor to Alpha Tau from an aliens view point and ring true to our principles within.

'Tis an old saying but a true one that little things change the current of our lives. A little thing it seemed when early in February, 1905, an Alpha Tau and his roommate discussed the opening for his fraternity at Missouri. How easy for them to select a third, and these three a fourth! All kindred spirits who had learned each other's worth through months of companionship. Then followed the constitution and by-laws of the Alpha Delta Club, and lastly, the night of organization. That dark rainy night of February 11, when we organized with four members and had five officers to elect! There were great speeches at that meeting telling how we would stand together and grow strong, what wonderful changes the year would bring forth, and finally the great monument which would stand as a grand memorial to our efforts. What fraternity man has not expressed the same thoughts and heard the same talks? Assuredly they are common to us all yet heaven that they should grow old or fade from our memories. Slowly our recruits came and steadily we worked, careful lest we make a mistake and fearful lest we fail. We must not here deny a thought to our loyal girl friends, two Kappa Kappa Gammas and Pi Beta Phi. How rich we felt when



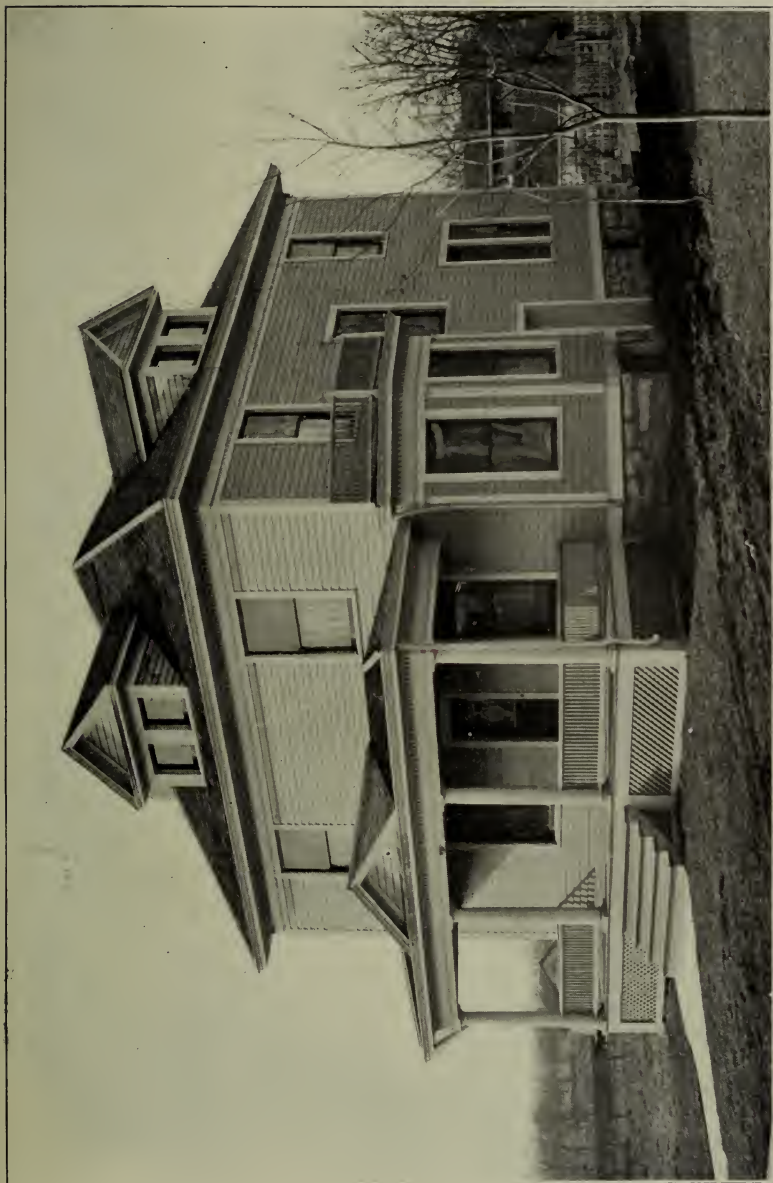
MISSOURI GAMMA RHO CHAPTER

they insisted that we bring each new man around! And thus the months passed. We lost not a man we asked although we met opposition twice. At the close of the school year nine close friends, the sum total of the Alpha Delta Club parted for the Summer. "We'll meet again" were the parting words, "we'll meet again for Alpha Tau."

The opening of school found all back excepting two who were unable to return. The next few months were hard ones, and we learned the valuable lesson, that man is not tried in times of prosperity but 'tis days of labor and adversity, nights of worry and anxiety, which prove his worthiness. We felt the need of a house badly but were not strong enough to rent, furnish and maintain one. We engaged instead the complete second floor of a private residence and made it our headquarters. At this point Brother Walborn entered school and immediately united with the club, much to our delight. Once more we looked for new material and again we met with gratifying success. Added to this was the friendship and encouragement given by the fraternities and many friends. The girls' fraternities especially were interested and lost no opportunity to speak well for the Alpha Delta boys. Never an occasion but they were delighted to attend our dinners or a dance, and never a night so busy but there was still room to entertain our boys and their friends. May our fellows in the years to come be found ever worthy of their confidence! Just before the Christmas holidays we were ready to lease a house and furnished to our liking. This incidentally was the first time a local fraternity at Missouri ever occupied a house, and Alpha Tau Omega is the first national to enter here with its chapter already housed. We were then prepared to greet the Investigating Committee from Illinois Gamma Zeta, composed of Brothers Gridley and Dick. The visit though serious was pleasant to us all and one long to be remembered because of its valuable results. Their report of recommendation, the formal application of the club, and favorable action of the chapters are still fresh in the minds of all, so that nothing remains but a few words in regard to the installation.

The morning of April 5th brought the great telegram

from Brother Fenn together with his congratulations. There come times when the eyes must speak when the lips are dumb, and this was such a day. The old bell in the tower rang out for daily assembly, but its call was unheeded as were also our duties in the classrooms. Life was too busy and too gay at the chapter house. We enjoyed the many congratulations from the fraternities and friends, but better than all, the word that Brother Van der Vries had been instructed to install the chapter. He was asked to wire the date, which he did naming Saturday, April 28th. The message however when delivered at Columbia read Saturday, April 21st, just one week earlier. Ignorant of the mistake arrangements were made for the earlier and wrong date. Letters were written to various Alpha Taus and Dr. Lyon our newly elected Worthy Grand Chief sent word he would be with us. Preparations were also made for a banquet at the Gordon Hotel and music engaged. Not until ten o'clock of the day arranged for did Brother Van der Vries' letter arrive saying it was the following Saturday! Here was a new and unexpected reverse. It was too late to postpone the installation and our installing officer was in the classroom at the University of Kansas, while Brother Lyon was already on his way! By making hasty inquiries we found that by leaving Lawrence immediately Brother Van der Vries could reach Columbia that night, provided—the Chicago and Alton Flyer would let him off at a station at which it was not scheduled to stop and also that the Wabash would hold their train for him twenty minutes at Centralia. We reached him by long distance phone and conditions were explained. True to the cause he answered, "I'm off!" Both trains were successfully held up and he arrived that night accompanied by Brother Zimmerman, of Kansas Gamma Mu. At the banquet were seated six Alpha Taus, representing four different chapters, three provinces and including two officers of the fraternity as follows: Brother E. P. Lyon, Worthy Grand Chief; Brother John N. Van der Vries, Province Chief; Brother O. A. Zimmerman, Kansas Gamma Mu; Brother Leon A. Colp, Illinois Gamma Zeta; Brother Ira G. Walborn, Pennsylvania Alpha Iota; and Brother G. O. Davis, Ohio Alpha Psi.



A. T. O. HOUSE AT MISSOURI.

Of course we had speeches, many of them, both good and bad. Good ones from the old Alpha Taus and a happy mixture from the others. We listened to the "Dutchman" who had never been known to face an audience while he declared he had been "rather reluctant when first asked to join, but was fully convinced after looking through the PALM." The "ladies' man," the "freshman," the "pious one," and the "orator," were all used to good advantage, not forgetting our Arkansas son of St. Patrick, who assured us that the "peat bogs" of the Emerald Isle were not half as dear to his ancestors as the Maltese Cross is to him. But above all was heard Brother Lyon's happy voice and his repeated calls for "Hip Hurrah!"

Returning to the chapter house we once more became serious and in the still hours of the night the following twelve men were entrusted with the secrets of our brotherhood:

John C. Murta,	Fort Smith, Arkansas.
W. L. Hunker,	Roanoke, Missouri.
Oval A. Maupin,	Bolivar, "
Harold Marsh,	Tyler, Texas
T. M. Dickson,	Wakenda, Missouri
W. R. Curry,	Oregon, "
Elbert S. Miner,	Ridgeway, "
Arthur H. Terrill,	Huntsville, "
H. F. Nelson,	Sweet Springs, Missouri
D. J. Mackie,	Carbon, Indian Territory
C. H. Fessenden,	St. Louis, Missouri
R. F. Bedford,	Columbia, "

Mr. Lind, being temporarily out of school could not be present. The initiation over, the first meeting was held and chapter officers elected, Brothers Walborn and Davis affiliating with the new chapter.

In closing let it be said, that this is Alpha Tau's first entrance into the State of Missouri. For years our chapters have been to the North, East, South and West, but here was the flourishing University of one of the great states of the Union which was ripe for our entrance. We have entered at the proper time under most flattering conditions and since we have planted our standard here, let us hope it will never be lowered, but that the years to come will find it still waving high o'er the halls of "Old Missou."

G. C. DAVIS.

THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF MASS. BETA-GAMMA.

A FACT often regretted by undergraduates of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is the location of their *Alma Mater* in the heart of the city of Boston. A common epithet applied to our men is that they are "grinds" and it is considered a misfortune by many that Tech. is not located in some quiet, secluded spot where its students could live in dormitories and have a campus over which to roam, thus enjoying in common with the other great schools of the country what is commonly termed "college life." But conditions have made it otherwise, consequently the only groups of Tech. men who can be looked upon as obtaining a glimpse and taste of college life are those belonging to the fraternities. Hence, of all the days which we will remember during the school year of 1905-'06 that of March 12, 1906 will long be looked upon as the red-letter day for us, when the local Alpha Omega Society gave up the ghost and Beta Gamma chapter of A. T. O. was given a second birth. How long we had waited, how anxious we were for the coming of A. T. O. and how happy we were on the eve of that eventful day, can never be adequately expressed in words, for now that our efforts were at last to be crowned with success, our joy knew no bounds, for it meant to every man the arrival and future enjoyment of real college life and the enjoyment of true friendship in fraternity life.

The coming of the evening of the day set for our introduction to the mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega brought with it brothers from Mass. Gamma Beta, Vermont Beta Zeta and Rhode Island Gamma making a gathering of fifty sturdy "Taus" besides the sixteen initiates.

As we gathered at our hall in the early evening we all tried to look calm and natural but the supposedly invisible agitation was soon noticeable on the visage of every prospective Alpha Tau. As we passed into its many and manifold mysteries under the guidance of Brothers Wren and Jeffers of



MASSACHUSETTS BETA GAMMA CHAPTER.

Mass. Gamma Beta and Brother Fowler of Rhode Island Gamma, we shook the dust of Alpha Omega from our feet and extended greetings to Alpha Tau Omega.

The new chapter was then called to order and officers were elected for the ensuing year. Following this an hour was spent in the enjoyment of refreshments during which Brother Draper in a few well chosen words presented Brothers Wren and Read with loving cups as tokens of our appreciation of their untiring efforts towards the re-establishment of Beta Gamma. Both brothers were taken completely by surprise and replied to our remembrances in words befitting the occasion. Following the reading of a congratulatory message from Vermont Beta Zeta by Brother Wren we all gathered in the music room where we gave vent to our enthusiasm as only true Alpha Taus can.

But all good things have an ending and although we were all loathe to say good-night we wandered homeward realizing that a new future had dawned for us all, that Alpha Tau had given us a religion upon which to stand and that by obedience to its principles Beta Gamma will never again fall.

The charter membership of the re-established chapter is as follows :

Andrew Lane Bell, '06, Chalpea, Mass., course, Naval Architecture, student, Naval Academy, Annapolis, 1902 and 1903.

Clifton Nathan Draper, '07, Norwick, Conn., course, Chemistry, Member of Chemical Society, Tech. Show 1905, 1906.

Flint Cummings Elder, '07, Malden, Mass., course, Chemistry, Member Chemical Society and K 2 S Society (local), Football Team 1904, 1903, Cross Country Association.

Herbert Charles Elton, '08, Dorchester, Mass., course, Civil Engineering, Member Civil Engineering Society, Lieutenant Cadet Battalion 1905, Tug of War Team 1904, 1905.

Harold Wiley Griswold, '08, Hartford, Conn., course, Mechanical Engineering, Mandolin Club 1905, 1906.

Walter B. Gonder, '07, Strasburg, Pa., Tug of War Team 1904, Member Chemical Society and Pennsylvania Club, course, Chemistry.

Victor Carl Grubnan, '08, Wyncote, Pa., course, Mining Engineering, Member Mining Engineering Society.

Eugene Hunt, '09, Walla Walla, Wash., course, Mechanical Engineering, Football Team 1905, Member House Committee of Tech. Union, Asst. Stage Manager Tech. Show 1906.

Alexander Macomber, '07, Newton, Mass., course, Electrical Engineering, Member Electrical Engineering Society, and Technology Club, Class Vice-President 1903, Asst. Stage Manager Tech. Show 1905, Stage Manager of Tech. Show 1906, Captain Cadet Battalion 1904, Associate Editor *Technique*, Director Cooperative Society 1905, Secretary Cooperative Society 1906.

Bryant Nichols, '07, Everett, Mass., course, Mechanical Engineering, Member Mechanical Engineering Society, Lieutenant Cadet Battalion 1904, Tech. Show 1904, 1905, 1906.

Clarence D. Howe, '07, Waltham, Mass., course, Civil Engineering, Member Civil Engineering Society, Manager Baseball Team 1904, 1905.

Frank D. Neill, '09, Medford, Mass., course, Chemistry, Tug of War Team 1905.

Alec N. Penny, '08, Philadelphia, Pa., course, Mining Engineering, Member Mining Engineering Society, Secretary Pennsylvania Club, Tech. Show 1906.

Will Robinson Reilly, '08, Salt Lake City, Utah, course, Mining Engineering, Member Mining Engineering Society.

Ralph Tucker Regnell, '08, Attleboro, Mass., course, Mining Engineering, Member Mining Engineering Society, Football Team 1904, 1905, Tech. Show 1906.

Emerson Hurd Packard, '07, Brocton, Mass., course, Chemical Engineering, Institute Committee 1905, 1906, Captain Cadet Battalion 1904, Captain Baseball Team 1904, 1905, Executive Committee 1904, 1905, Tech. Show 1904, Composer of Tech. Show Music 1904, 1905, 1906, Class President 1906, *Technique* Editorial Board (chairman), Promenade Committee.

AFFILIATES.

Stephen Herbert Bailey, '06, Lawrence, Kansas, course, Chemistry, Kansas Gamma-Nu, Sigma Xi, Kansas University, Private Asst. Gas Analysis.

Albert E. Green, '07, Pueblo, Colorado, Colorado Gamma-Lambda, course, Physics.

Eugene L. Grunsky, '08, Washington, D. C., California Gamma-Iota, course, Civil Engineering, Member Civil Engineering Club, '08 Relay Team California Club.

Edward Chambers Hamner, Jr., '06, Lynchburg, Va., Washington and Lee University, Ensign U. S. N., Graduate Naval Academy '03, course, Naval Architecture, Member Hammer and Tongs Club (local).

Howard U. Key, '06, B. L. T., Austin, Texas, Texas Gamma Eta, course, Electrical Engineering, Member Electrical Engineering Society, Marcellus Rambo, '07 B. S., Marietta, Ga., Ga. Alpha Beta, course, Mechanical Engineering.

WALTER B. GONDER.

THE ALUMNI OF MASSACHUSETTS BETA GAMMA.

WHILE at the Institute of Technology in the year 1885 "Billy" Harris decided that he would try to establish a chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity in Boston. His efforts were successful and the chapter was established. I can not now recollect who were the original members, nor do I know why its life time was so short.

However, the fraternity engaged a room upon Tremont Street, in Boston at, I think, No. 150, which is just above West Street, the building now having been torn down to make room for more modern structures. Although the financial circumstances of the parents of the members varied somewhat, we none of us had very much money, but we all furnished some part of our small belongings. I remember well that somebody gave an old-fashioned, open, wood-burning, transportable fireplace; and that another gave a couple of chairs, and still another a pair of sconces; and there we made out very well in mutual kindness each toward the other.

There of an evening we received new members and put them through the various kindly "stunts" which lead them to suppose that they were up against the real thing which afterwards each one, I think, believed he found. The writer was not an original member and went through some of the "stunts."

I can say but further that the pursuance of my calling led me to Harvard University and that it became necessary for me to leave the chapter. As each new member was initiated into the fraternity, he added his little mite toward our household store and by the time this small chapter had completed itself, I doubt not that we were as well off as the rest. Further than this and with all fraternal feelings, excuse me for having detained you so long. It is my pleasure to

have been asked to write this article by the present chapter which is now active in Boston. Following is a list, in so far as I can remember, of the members of the original chapter :

William L. Harris, Wilmington, Mass., the founder and formerly connected with the Penn. chapter.

C. W. Baker, Lena, Ill., clergyman.

Walter Howard Gleason, M. I. T., '87, Boston, Mass., dealer in Real Estate. Residence, Watertown, Mass.

William Langdon Dearbon, S. B., M. I. T., Secretary and Treasurer, Eastwick Eng. Co.

Julian Abbott Cameron, S. B., Westford, Mass., M. I. T. 1885, Mechanical Engineer, Manager of Cameron Mills.

Francis Washburn Hoadley, New York, Secretary American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 12 West 31st Street, N. Y.

Harold Osgood Binney, attorney at law, 141 Broadway, N. Y.

Thomas Dwight Brainard, S. B., M. I. T., Montreal, Mechanical Engineer, Montreal, Canada.

(If I rightly recollect Brainard's brother belonged to the chapter.)

Charles Cheney, S. B., M. I. T., Manchester, Connecticut.

Charles Dudley Underhill, M. D., Harvard University 1888, 30 Exeter Street, Boston, Mass.

C. D. UNDERHILL.

Spurred to action by the hazing affair at Kenyon College, which resulted in the terrible death of a student, the Ohio Legislature has passed a bill designed to make such practices impossible in that State in the future. The measure defines hazing in public and private schools as a misdemeanor, and prescribes for it as a penalty a fine not exceeding \$200 or imprisonment in jail not exceeding six months, or both such fine and imprisonment. The measure also provides that teachers and heads of schools and colleges who knowingly permit hazing to be practiced within their jurisdiction shall also be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and may be punished by a fine not in excess of \$200. If this bill errs in either direction it is on the side of leniency. If it becomes a law it will at least help to make hazing an unpopular feature of school life. But a right sentiment prevailing in college circles will do more than any law toward suppressing the silly and brutal practice. When students, teachers, and school authorities unite in frowning down and condemning hazing as an unmanly and foolish business it will soon disappear.—*Leslie's Weekly*.



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MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

THE MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

[Note:—The writer acknowledges his indebtedness to a booklet issued by the Institute for use at the St. Louis Exposition for portions of this article bearing upon the foundation of the school.]

THE Massachusetts Institute of Technology was opened to students in the year 1865, four years after the granting of the charter to Prof. William Barton Rogers, its first president, and his co-workers. The original plan of President Rogers made provision for a "comprehensive polytechnic college," which should provide a "complete system of industrial education." The element of manual training was added in 1877 by President Runkle, as a result of an exhibition in Philadelphia of the results obtained in Russia by instruction of this kind. President Rogers further proposed that provision be made for evening lectures, for the benefit of the public, and also for the establishment of a society of arts to serve as a medium for the announcement of scientific discoveries and inventions. The first part of this proposition is represented in the present Lowell School for Industrial Foremen; the second part in the Society of Arts, for a long time the governing body of the Institute and now an important means of stimulus to its intellectual life.

The connection of the Institute with the State has been marked by a generous grant of land in what is now a central position in Boston. The State has also aided the Institute by a gift of \$100,000, by a fund of like amount for scholarships and by an allotment of one-third of the national grants to the State under the Acts of 1862 and 1865. Since 1895 it has added a gift of \$25,000 per annum. The larger part of the endowment of the school is, however, derived from gifts by private individuals.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology is a Scientific School of Applied Science. With a view to preparing its graduates for future usefulness in various professions, it aims

to provide both broad, general education and specific technical training. While the applications of the sciences to the useful arts are taught in the Institute of Technology, the primary purpose of the school is education. Not only are mere rule of thumb and technical methods constantly subordinated to the acquisition of principles, but those principles are studied with the predominant purpose to expand and develop the mind, to exercise the powers and to train the faculties of the pupil. In the four years required for graduation, it is sought to make the pupil observant, discriminating and exact,—in short, a well educated man, in the truer sense of that term. As one means to this end, the faculty of the Institute has uniformly maintained that some proportion of philosophic study should be combined with scientific work. Accordingly in every course for at least three years out of the four, such “liberal studies,” as history, political, economy and English composition and literature are made part of the requirement for graduation. The work qualifies men immediately upon graduation to take a place in the industrial order.

By the catalogue of 1905–1906 the number of students at the Institute is 1,466, and the number of teachers 229—a total which makes it the largest scientific and technical school in the United States, and one of the largest in the world. This great body of students comes from forty states of the Union and from over twenty-five foreign countries. Among them are found about one hundred and eighty graduates of other colleges and scientific schools.

Undergraduate instruction at the Institute is given in thirteen four year courses each leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science,—Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Mining Engineering, Architecture, Chemistry, Electrical Engineering, Biology, Physics, General Science, Chemical Engineering, Sanitary Engineering, Geology and Naval Architecture.

On the list of graduates of the Institute is found a relatively small number of women. The number of women students at the Institute during the present school year 1905–

1906, is about twenty-five. The departments which women most frequently enter are Chemistry, Physics, Biology and Architecture.

The buildings occupied by the Institute are eight in number. The two buildings first constructed, known respectively as the Rogers and the Walker Buildings, are situated upon Boylston Street, one of the great thoroughfares of Boston, upon land ceded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Rogers Building comprises a hall capable of seating nine hundred persons, used for public gatherings and commencement exercises, and for the lectures of the Lowell Institute, numerous lecture-rooms, recitation-rooms and drawing-rooms, the general library, and the administrative offices. The Walker Building, on the same square, built in 1883, is occupied by the Departments of Chemistry and Physics. In addition to the Rogers and the Walker Buildings, four others, three of which adjoin and now form one structure, are situated on Trinity Place. The Henry L. Pierce Building, the newest of these, is of fireproof construction, with steel doors, so arranged that fire can easily be controlled. Special attention has been paid to the heating and ventilation, and an abundance of properly tempered fresh air is delivered to all parts of the building. The glass in the windows in laboratories on the southerly exposure is ribbed to diffuse the light. The Lowell Laboratories of Electrical Engineering, on Clarendon Street, affords accommodation for the exceptionally complete equipment in Electrical Engineering, and for the Department of Modern Languages. Indirect heating is applied to all the buildings erected since the Rogers Building.

In addition to these, the Institute has, at the foot of Garrison Street, a series of mechanical laboratories, which, with the boiler-house and chimney, cover about 24,000 square feet on the ground.

Plans are now in preparation for an additional building to be constructed in the near future. It will be a memorial of the late President Walker, and will be devoted to the social and physical interests of students. It will include a large gymnasium, a reception-room, a library, and numerous

small rooms for special purposes. Toward the erection of this building the alumni of the Institute have subscribed more than a hundred thousand dollars.

Undergraduate activities centre in *The Tech.*, a bi-weekly publication, *Technique* our annual and The Tech. Show, and comic opera written, composed and acted entirely by Tech. men. The Show constitutes a prominent feature of Junior week.

In the Greek world the following fraternities have established chapters: Sigma Chi, established in 1882; Theta Xi, established in 1885; Delta Psi; Chi Phi, established in 1890; Delta Kappa Epsilon, established in 1890; Delta Upsilon, established in 1891; Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Delta Tau Delta, established in 1889; Phi Gamma Delta, established in 1889; Phi Sigma Kappa, established in 1902; Theta Chi, established in 1902; Phi Kappa Sigma, established in 1903; Delta Sigma Phi, established in 1905. Of the local societies Alpha Omega became Alpha Tau Omega, March 12, 1906, and of the others Alpha Epsilon and Phi Beta Epsilon are the most prominent. Twenty-seven other fraternities are represented in the student body, and of the 1,466 students, 335 belong to fraternities thus showing quite an extensive field for the establishment of new chapters by other members of the Greek world.

W. B. GONDER.

EXECUTIVE CHANGES.

THE editorial in the last issue of the PALM, announcing the resignation of Brother Charles H. Fenn from the office of Worthy Grand Chief, did not prove disappointing in that it evoked inquiring comment from every quarter of Alpha-Taudom. Surprise and regret characterized these letters without a single exception. The official advice—reaching us, as it did, on the very eve of going to press and unembellished with details—was presented to the Fraternity together with what appeared to be the only possible cause for so untoward an event.

The surmise proved to be correct. Brother Fenn is very busy and—as it appears—very conscientious. To this latter excellent attribute must be ascribed the motive which impelled him to surrender his covetable position. The assistant district managership of a large corporation, coupled with collateral pursuits which necessitated frequent and extended trips from his home city, made most exacting demands upon his time; and to certain of his friends—despite their protestations to the contrary—he expressed his apprehension that the routine of the fraternity's chief office required more undivided attention than he found it possible to bestow. When, however, he identified himself recently with a project involving the disposition of more than six million dollars' worth of land in Brooklyn Borough, he hesitated no longer, nor were reassuring protests of further avail, and his resignation was duly forwarded to the High Council.

It remains merely to deplore the inexorable conditions which combined to deprive our brotherhood of so excellent a head, and to commend the promptings of a high—though, possibly, exaggerated—sense of duty to which our brother could not be persuaded to turn a deaf ear. His action is but another evidence of his self-sacrificing loyalty—loyalty never questioned and requiring no proof—to our fraternity, and of the keen jealousy with which he guards her best interests.

The duties of his high office were peculiarly congenial to Brother Fenn. Eminently qualified, both by nature and by acquirement, he bore the dignity of his position with consummate efficiency and grace. The record of his all too brief incumbency will redound lasting credit to himself as well as to his fraternity.

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The members of the High Council were entirely happy in their solution of the unusual—not to say perplexing—situation that confronted them. It is with pride and satisfaction that they announce their success in persuading one of their own number, Dr. Elias Potter Lyon, the renowned physiologist and biologist, to assume the duties of the unexpired term of Brother Fenn.

Our new Worthy Grand Chief was born October 20, 1867, at Cambria, Michigan. When he was five years old his parents moved to Hillsdale, Michigan, and lived near the college at that place, so that the campus is practically the earliest remembered play-ground of our new leader. His father's death threw the boy on his own resources at an early age and his subsequent success is due almost entirely to his own strong will. He graduated from the Hillsdale High School in 1884 and then began to lay plans for college. Every cent had to be earned and saved if he were to go. For eighteen months he drove a milk wagon in Chicago, and by the further earnings of bookkeeping and teaching he was able to return to Hillsdale expecting to take a commercial course and go into business. But coming under the influence of some of the Professors of the Collegiate Department, particularly the biological instructor, Prof. Frank Smith, now at the University of Illinois, Brother Lyon started in on the full college course, doing special work in chemistry and biology. He took his B. S. from Hillsdale in 1891 and remained another year, taking an A. B. in 1892.

Meanwhile, on January 17, 1887, he had become an Alpha Tau, being one of the charter members as well as the first initiate of Michigan Beta Kappa Chapter, founded by brothers from Michigan Alpha Mu. From the start Brother Lyon took



CHAS. H. FENN, Former, W. G. C.



Dr. E. P. LYON, W. G. C.



GEO. H. LAMAR, Former, W. G. C.
(now of High Council.)

a lively interest in the Fraternity. He was present at the installation of Michigan Beta Lambda and Michigan Beta Omicron chapters, both of which were founded while he was in college. It is worthy of note that he and his predecessor in office, Brother Fenn, both of whom attended Hillsdale and Albion, respectively, at the same time, played football against each other as well as swapped girls on the occasion of the state banquet of the fraternity.

After graduating from college, Brother Lyon went to Chicago as a teacher in the Harvard School, an affiliated academy of the University of Chicago. He was a member—and for a long time Secretary—of the Chicago Alumni Association of the Fraternity, and helped to install Illinois Gamma Zeta Chapter.

In 1894 he entered the University of Chicago, and in the summer of the following year he became Biologist of the famous Cook Expedition to Greenland, which had the unique distinction of three marine disasters without loss of life, including collision with an iceberg near Laborador and the loss of their ship on a Greenland reef. The party of ninety-seven people returned to civilization on a small fishing schooner, living for two weeks on salt halibut and sleeping in the hold on piles of fish. One of the professors of the party epitomized the situation in these words: "A layer of salt, then a layer of halibut, then a layer of salt, then a layer of suckers."

Returning to the University, Brother Lyon became the favorite pupil and assistant of the famous physiologist, Dr. Jacques Loeb. Under him Brother Lyon took his Ph. D., in 1897, his thesis being "A Contribution to the Physiology of Compensatory Motions." The next fall he became head of the Biological Department at Bradley Institute, Peoria, Ill., one of the affiliated institutions of the University of Chicago. In 1900 he was called back to the University as Assistant Professor of Physiology, holding the same post also in Rush Medical College, and the following year he was made Dean in medical work at the University. It was in 1904 that he accepted the headship of the Physiological Department at St.

Louis University, where he has the greatest "Alpha Tau Department" in the country; Brother C. H. Neilson, of Ohio Beta Eta, being Associate Professor, and Brother D. H. Brown, of Kansas Gamma Mu, being Assistant Professor. Brother Lyon asserts, however, that no fraternity favoritism led to their selection. They were simply the best men available.

As an investigator, Brother Lyon is a frequent contributor to the American Journal of Physiology, and is a member of the American Physiological Society. He is likewise identified with the staff of the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass., and usually spends his summers there in research work. In 1902 he spent several months at Zoological Station at Naples, Italy, and so universally recognized have his attainments become that in Mr. Oattell's recently published book, "American Men of Science," Brother Lyon's name is starred as being one of the leading physiologists of the country.

Brother Lyon was married in 1897 to an old college sweetheart, Miss Nellie Eastman, of Limerick, Maine. At their home, 3670 Cleveland Avenue, St. Louis, there is always a welcome for Alpha Taus, who will find that Mrs. Lyon wears an A. T. O. guard pin on her Kappa Kappa Gamma badge, which ought to be a significant combination and surely looks that way to an outsider.

Our new Executive attended his first Congress in Nashville, in 1892, and when, six years later, the Provincial System was inaugurated at the New Orleans Congress, he was made first Provincial Chief of what is now Province III, holding office four years. During his incumbency he suggested many of the details of the system and instituted Minnesota Gamma Nu Chapter. His election to the High Council at the Chicago Congress in 1902 was followed by his reelection at the last gathering in New York.

As is the almost invariable experience of persons who have accomplished something, Brother Lyon has not escaped his share of exploitation at the hands of the yellow journals. In June, 1903, our sensational sheets vied with one another in disseminating his alleged discovery that defibrinated blood

could be injected into a heart that had been removed from an animal, causing it to resume its pulsations. One paper announced that "the heart is independent of the central nervous system and can be made to pump blood through itself, a pair of lungs, and a loop of tubing over four feet high." "Why," ranted another sheet, "since the heart taken from the body of a slaughtered animal can be made to resume its motion, should not one be able to cause the heart in the body of an animal that has died a natural death to pulsate anew, and so put life again into the body?" All this had the obvious result; and Brother Lyon was overwhelmed with letters from griefstricken and morbid people to whom the reports gave a false hope. "It seems to me," wrote a heartbroken mother, "that if you could bring the heart to pulsation, God will allow the soul to animate the body."

That Brother Lyon was in no wise elated over this cheaply won popularity is suggested by the following portion of a letter which he wrote in answer to the inquiries of an admiring brother:

"This heart business is a clear case of *yellow*s. I gave a demonstration one day of some familiar facts concerning the heart. About the same time I went to the stock yards several times to see if the hearts of slaughtered animals there could be caused to beat by methods known, (and in the development of which I had no part.) The reporter got hold of these facts and built up his story. When he came to see me I told him I had done no original thing—or at least that very little in the method was original. I even gave him a written statement that the experiments involved no new principles. But it had no effect. He let his imagination run—at, doubtless, so much a column.

"I have published some original physiological papers, but none on the heart. My work has been chiefly on certain functions of the ear and on experimental embryology. I have never discovered any cure for snake bite, poverty or love sickness. I may some day work on the hearts, and when I do, nothing will give me greater pleasure than to experiment on the hearts of Chicago newspaper reporters."

"I believe in the college fraternity," writes our new Executive, "as a powerful influence for good in American education; but, at the same time, the fraternity system possesses certain tendencies which are not of the highest." He believes also that if university and college professors who are

alumni of fraternities would give the advantage of their experiences to the undergraduates who form the Chapters and Congresses, it would serve as a potent factor in bringing out all that is good in fraternity life, as well as rendering the evil tendencies of little moment. It is with this thought in view that he has continued his active connection with Alpha Tau Omega.

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The important vacancy in the High Council resulting from the elevation of Brother Lyon will be filled by Brother George H. Lamar, whose recent and well-remembered administration as Worthy Grand Chief is the best possible argument—were any required—in defense of the wisdom of his appointment.

Brother Lamar was born thirty-eight years ago in Lee County, Alabama, a scion of the southern branch of the Lamar family and a maternal descendant of the Rev. John B. Gleen, originally of Georgia. His matriculation at an early age at the Polytechnic Institute of Alabama was followed, in 1885, by his initiation into the Alabama Alpha Epsilon chapter of our fraternity. After receiving his B. S., in 1887, he entered Georgetown University Law School at Washington, D. C., and won his LL. B., and LL. M., in 1889 and 1890, respectively. In the latter year he was admitted to the Washington bar, where he has practiced assiduously ever since. He has been actively connected with the District of Columbia Alumni Association for nineteen years.

In 1890 he attended the Richmond Congress, and at a similar gathering in Washington, in 1896, he was appointed to act as W. G. S. His formal election to this office followed at the New Orleans assemblage in 1898, and the Order's highest office awaited him in Boston, which was the scene of our seventeenth Congress in 1900.

Brother Lamar points with pride to the phenomenal evidences of expansion during his term of office. Four Alumni Associations were formed at Manila, Denver, Atlanta and San Francisco. An equal number of defunct chapters were reor-

ganized under most favorable auspices: Penna. Alpha Pi, Penna. Alpha Rho, Florida Alpha Omega and Michigan Beta Lambda. Six new charters were granted to clubs which, in each instance, had been in organized form for more than six months, to wit: Ohio Gamma Kappa, Colorado Gamma Lambda, Kansas Gamma Mu, Minnesota Gamma Nu, Illinois Gamma Xi and Indiana Gamma Omicron. No chapter in active operation at the beginning of his term of office became defunct during the same. His four years as Worthy Grand Chief were characterized by a more perfect organization, a business-like administration, including the inauguration of financial checks and reforms, and a careful and conservative extension, especially in the West.

ALFRED S. HARTZELL.

THE POWER OF ONE.

In your efforts to bring about some worthy and unselfish end, have you ever been overcome by a poignant sense of loneliness? Have you ever, failing to receive the co-operation of even your best friends, been tempted to ask: "What is the good of all this endeavor? What is one among so many?" Have you ever felt like giving up the struggle, and resigning your life to the carpe diem program which so many of your neighbors seem to be following?

If such thoughts as these come to you, comfort and cheer yourself with the memory of what has been accomplished for humanity by isolated, lonely, friendless men. Since the days of John the Baptist, many a voice has cried in the wilderness. Luther and Savonarola felt the bitterness of standing alone; Lincoln carried upon his unsupported shoulders the terrible burden of the Union's threatened disruption. And Christ Himself, as Jordan has pointed out, was alone in Gethsemane, although his hearers at one sermon — where food was provided — numbered four thousand.

There is a Persian couplet which runs:

"A single human sigh may burn
Till it the world shall overturn."

The solitary voice of a reformer may be heard only indistinctly by the men of his own generation. It may take years, or centuries, for its leaven to work. But work it will, for all the power of God's universe is back of the word of truth and of love, no matter how quietly it be spoken, or how unassuming be the speaker of it.

F. A. FALL, (Mich. B. O.)
in "*Blazed Trails*."

In Memoriam.

CHARLES F. SMITH,

(Ill. Gamma Zeta.)

Initiated, 1900.

Requiescat in pace.

THOMAS VAN RENSELLAR MATTHEWS, JR.,

(Ala. Beta Delta.)

Initiated, 1901.

Requiescat in pace.

Resolutions.

CHARLES F. SMITH.

HALL OF ILLINOIS GAMMA ZETA.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in His Divine wisdom, to take from our midst, Brother Charles F. Smith, a member of Gamma Zeta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega; be it therefore

Resolved, That by his untimely death, Gamma Zeta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega has sustained the loss of a loyal alumnus; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathies to his parents, wife and child, and that our badges be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our chapter, that copies be sent to his parents and wife, and to the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM.

E. C. BROWN,

R. P. DAVIS,

A. J. HARRIS,

Committee.

THOMAS VAN RENSELLAR MATTHEWS, JR.

HALL OF ALABAMA BETA DELTA.

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom and Divine power has seen fit to take from our midst our beloved brother, Thomas Van Rensellar Matthews, Jr., an active member of Alabama Beta Delta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega; and be it therefore

Resolved, That by the sad accident which caused his untimely death, Alabama Beta Delta Chapter has sustained the loss of a most loyal member; and we, an earnest, sincere, and devoted brother; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved parents and relatives our sincere and heartfelt sympathy, and that our pins be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed on the minute book of the Alabama Beta Delta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, that a copy be sent to the bereaved parents, and a copy be sent to the PALM for publication.

N. W. MORRISSETTE,

R. H. LEDBETTER,

HUME LELAND,

Committee.

THOMAS VAN RENSELLAR MATTHEWS, JR.

(MEMORIAL ADDRESS.)

It is no ordinary occurrence that brings us together on this occasion; while the history of this time-honored institution is not without its dark pages, it is perhaps safe to say that its annals record no event of equal sadness to that which has cast a gloom over this whole institution since last Monday, when the cruel waters of the Black Warrior claimed as a sacrifice from this nourishing mother, the lives of two of her most beloved and promising sons, as if unwilling to confer upon our state and nation her benefits without requiring the sacrifice of our dearest and best.

Certain it is that in yielding up the mortal life of Thomas Van Rensellar Matthews, the Beta Delta chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity gave of her dearest and best. By the student body as a whole, he will be sadly missed, but we of his fraternity feel that with us his place can never be supplied. That we loved him more was only because we knew him better, for none knew him but to love him, none named him but to praise. He was of that noble, loving disposition which recognized and treated all men as his brothers, and of necessity this begot the same feeling in them towards him.

Descended from a noble stock, he combined and united in his symmetrical and well rounded character the many virtues and admirable traits of his distinguished ancestors. A distinguishing trait in his character was self-reliance and independence, and he esteemed it better to serve than to be served, and to minister, than to be ministered to. He combined in a degree rarely found in the same person the elements of strength and gentleness, of manliness and purity, and possessed each of these traits to such an extent as

to cause surprise that he should have the other at all. Nor was there room to suppose that there was any lack of sincerity and genuineness in him, or that these admirable traits were feigned or assumed, for he was the universal favorite with his companions, both boys and girls, at an age when our actions are spontaneous, and before reaching that at which we begin to be actuated by selfish or interested motives. In Anniston, where his childhood was spent, at each of the schools which he attended before coming to the University of Alabama, at all of which he excelled in those manly sports which endear a boy to boys, and here among us, where he grew to the full maturity of a noble young manhood, he was foremost in all that was noblest and best, and a sample of the highest type of southern boyhood and manhood. Nature had bestowed her gifts upon him with a lavish hand, for besides these talents and gifts of head and heart, he was a perfect specimen of manly beauty and nature's nobility sat on his brow.

It is impossible for us to understand the plan according to which our Heavenly Father would spare him from His work in this world, for his life here among men could not have failed of great and lasting benefit to us among whom his lot was cast. But if lives be measured by events and things done, instead of by years, Tom Matthews, at the age of twenty-two, had already lived long. He had, not by cant or professions but by his quiet example, given to many a fellow student a high conception of what a man ought to and could be, and taught them to cultivate those virtues which make the possessor of them happier, and the world better for his having lived in it.

His light shone in this way, as we believe, throughout the whole circle of his acquaintance, and we know that no student was thrown with him in the intimate relations of a fraternity brother without being a better man for the association. What he was within the sacred precincts of the family circle we can only imagine, and our reverence for their sacred grief is such that we shrink from trespassing upon that almost holy ground; and yet we can not but assure his sorrowing loved ones what he was to them, he was to us here, only in a less degree, and we know that the faculty and students of the university and the members of this chapter had places in his heart next only to those kept sacred to them, his nearest and dearest.

But we would not be acting in accordance with his high example should we lament and repine as men without hope, because he has been taken home before us. It is mete that we should pause from our daily work to thus do honor to the memory of those so dear to us, after which we should brace up and gird ourselves anew for the battle and duties of life and go forward having with us the sweet and helpful recollection of their beautiful lives, and endeavor to emulate the virtues of which they were such admirable examples. Though we can not understand it, yet we know that his having been taken home thus early is in accordance with the plans of our all-wise and all-loving Heavenly Father, and that his beautiful traits of character are not lost, but will continue to be exercised in a manner and in a sphere infinitely higher than when we knew him here. We do not believe that the manner or circumstances of his crossing the bar were by chance, or accidental, but that upon crossing he met his Pilot face to face, who conducted him safely to the haven where he would be, and that he now dwells in the gracious presence of his risen Lord, in whose presence alone is the fulness of joy.



THE ALUMNI.



A. T. O. IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

THE following, clipped from one of the Detroit newspapers, indicates how our Dr. S. A. McComber (Rhode Island Gamma Delta) is regarded in Michigan. The statement of his intended connection with Leland Stanford, is, however, untrue and the brother has since returned to Detroit entirely restored to his pristine health:

Dr. S. A. McComber, one of Detroit's best known athletic leaders, has accepted a position as physical instructor at Leland Stanford University, California. News of the doctor's decision to take up his new duties reached Detroit this week from the coast, where the doctor has been spending the winter, owing to ill health.

Dr. McComber has for several years had charge of the teams at the D. U. S. His work of bringing out winning track teams is so well recognized that it needs no mention.

Since taking up the work at the Elmwood School, Dr. McComber developed many stars who after graduation won fame in athletic circles at Michigan and other institutions.

Among the men who owe much of their success in school sports to him are the Keeler and Keena brothers, "Denny" Clark, "Ted" Hammond and "Pinky" Patterson, the record high jumper whose work won him a position on the Chicago Athletic Club team when it journeyed to Oregon.

McComber has a knack of studying the material of his rivals when his own men are not of the best, picking out the weak points and then making his team stronger along those lines, often proving his school to be a "dark horse" in meets.

The doctor was popular with his boys and general regret is felt at his loss. The doctor takes his position on the coast because of the climate. He went out there in poor health and improved so rapidly he decided to remain there. This decision took strength when he was offered a good berth with the College.

Dr. McComber is a graduate of Brown University.

GEORGE M. HOSACK (Mich. Beta Lambda), formerly Worthy High Chancellor, is prominently mentioned as the nominee of the Republican Party for the office of Lieutenant Governor of Pennsylvania. The convention will be held during month of June, and we hope to be enabled to announce his success in our next issue. The following is taken from the Philadelphia *North American*:

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 3.—Representative George M. Hosack, of Pittsburg, announced his candidacy for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor by the Republican State Convention during a visit here to-day on legal business. Mr. Hosack said:

“Since the suggestion of my name for the office of Lieutenant Governor, a few weeks ago, I have received many communications, which lead me to believe that I would be an available candidate in the event of the next Republican State Convention selecting the man for Governor from some eastern county.

“I do not wish to embarrass any candidate for Governor by seeking instructions at this time, but have advised a number of my friends that should the head of the ticket be selected from the eastern part of the State, I should be pleased to have the nomination for Lieutenant Governor. In all probability my name will be presented before the convention.



BENJAMIN H. CONLEE (Neb. Gamma Theta), was elected County Clerk of Gage County, Nebraska, which position pays \$2,500 per year. What the *Wage Worker*, a Lincoln, (Neb.) publication thinks of our brother is reproduced:

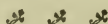
Benjamin H. Conlee, County Clerk for Gage County, is a gentleman of ability and integrity and one who is well known throughout the County and State.

Mr. Conlee is a member of the Republican Party and is one of the most earnest workers in party affairs.

As County Clerk he has made a most able and efficient County official and has the confidence and respect of the entire community.

Mr. Conlee is a thoroughly good citizen and one who is exceedingly popular with all who know him.

He has always manifested a friendly attitude towards the cause of labor and is entitled to the support and co-operation of all working people.



THE following taken from the editorial columns of the Richmond *Times-Despatch* conveys an interesting bit of information relative to Bro. Robert L. Owen, (Va. Beta).

Robert L. Owen, the lawyer, who, after seven years' fighting has compelled the United States to pay a \$4,000,000 debt to the Cherokee Indians, is himself part Indian. His argument was pronounced by a justice of the Supreme Court, one of the ablest presentations ever made before that court. Mr. Owen took the degree of Master of Arts at Washington and Lee University in 1877. He established the First National Bank of Indian Territory and was author and sponsor of the act making every Indian in the Territory a citizen of the United States.



THE *Detroit News-Tribune* had the following complimentary article on Brother Charles M. Hammond (Michigan Beta Lambda, '89), in a recent issue relative to his work in the impeachment trial of that city's Park Commissioner:

C. M. Hammond, the expert stenographer, is making more money than the highest paid attorney during the Bolger investigation. He is receiving \$50 per day for his work. So far Hammond has taken a half million words in reporting the testimony and cross examination.

Hammond is 41 years old, and has been a resident of Detroit since 1887. He graduated from the U. of M. Law School in 1889. He has even dabbled in literature, having written sketches for the *News*. He was official stenographer in both the Wayne Circuit and the Recorders Court for a combined period of 6 years. His most important work was in reporting the famous trial of William Jones for the murder of George Heywood, in which he made the record of 227 words per minute for a stretch lasting 55 minutes.

Since leaving the Recorders Court, Hammond has done general reporting being employed as official reporter for the sweat box examinations at police headquarters. At present he reports every session of the Common Council presumably for the Board of Commerce but he will not divulge the names of his employers.

Other cases in which Hammond has been engaged are: the debates and discussions of the supervisors in 1895 relating the erection of the County building; to the investigation of the fire department during Pingree's administration as Mayor; the two investigations of the department of public works during which Commissioner Moreland was disposed; was commissioner appointed by Circuit Court to take testimony in relation to the Riverside club of plumbers in 1895; and the investigation by the Pacific Express Co. after the theft of the \$20,000.00 gold bar from the Union Depot in 1904. During the Hutchinson murder trial some years ago he became involved in a dispute with Stenographer J. E. Linton the matter resolving itself into a battle of experts, in which Hammond won out, the jury placing reliance on his notes of a certain witness's testimony.

"I take exception to the statement that the profession of stenography is effeminate, as it is one of the most strenuous of occupations," says Hammond, "and requires not only a general knowledge but extreme physical endurance and one is only fitted for the best work after years of constant endeavor."

PERSONAL NOTES.

OMEGA, SEWANEE.

Huger, '05, is in the insurance business in Atlanta, Ga.

Vaughn is in business in Mobile, Ala.

Hannum is assistant cashier in a prominent bank in Birmingham, Ala.

Lebly is working in the cotton mills at Pilzer, S. C.

ALPHA BETA, GEORGIA.

Paul Brown, of Lexington, Ga., was elected to the Legislature, during the primary, by a unanimous vote.

A. S. Preddy is assistant cashier of the Bryan County Bank, at Pembroke, Ga.

D. J. Gaffney is practicing law at Lagrange, Ga.

R. N. Halland is practicing law at Marietta, Ga.

E. P. Hawkins is in the wholesale grocery business at St. Louis, Mo., 509 Hauser building.

E. G. Russell is in the foreign mail service of the U. S. P. O. Dept., at Washington, D. C.

Louis C. Russell is an attorney-at-law at Wender, Ga., and proprietor of the Wender *Democrat*.

ALPHA EPSILON, POLYTECHNIC.

Vassar L. Allen and William E. Fort, (Georgia Alpha Zeta), have formed a partnership for the practice of law under the firm name of Allen & Fort, with offices in the First National Bank Building, Birmingham, Alabama.

A. H. Milstead, is district agent for the Northwestern Insurance Co., and is located at Athens, Ga.

ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG.

Peter S. Trumbauer and Miss Graves, both of Nazareth, Pa., were married during March. Brother Trumbauer's best man was Brother Wm. M. Miller, (Pa. Alpha Iota.)

Rein K. Hartzell spent several weeks in the South and reports having met many of our southern brethren.

Arthur Beck has removed to Chicago where he is now engaged as a chemist in one of the cement mills in that locality.

ALPHA MU, ADRIAN.

Gorky, the Russian communist, who has been before the public eye for some time, was a guest at the home of Brother Leroy Scott, during a part of his time in New York City. Brother Scott is the author of the "Walking Delegate."

ALPHA NU, MT. UNION.

Edward Williams, Superintendent of Edinburg (Ohio) Public Schools, has been reelected for the coming year.

S. J. Wallace will take the bar examination at Columbus, Ohio, in June.

A. E. Williams recently was elected Secretary of the Builders Exchange, Akron, Ohio. By the way, Williams is the champion tennis player of Portage County, which is a strong tennis district.

Dr. Harvey March, of Canton, Ohio, is actively engaged organizing and superintending the affairs of the County Coroners' Association.

ALPHA RHO, LEHIGH.

Wallace E. Ruhe, of Allentown, Pa., and Miss Lillian Mink, of that city, were married during the month of May.

ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE.

D. F. Lane, '03, who was until recently Business Manager of the Watertown office of the Syracuse *Post-Standard*, has secured a position on the editorial staff of the Watertown *Daily Standard*. Brother Lane is making great advances in newspaper work, and is to be congratulated on his recent advance.

ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG.

William McKenzie, '02, and Miss Edna Sparks were united in marriage, Thursday, April 19th, 1906, at the Central M. E. Church, Springfield, Ohio. They left for the South on a short wedding trip.

V. Y. Smith, who was a charter member of Alpha Psi, has opened up a law office in Dayton, Ohio, with a partnership of Smith and Carr.

Oliver F. Weaver, '03, who finishes the Seminary this year has accepted a call as pastor to a Church in Lucas, Ohio.

Charles L. Bliss, '93, who has been in the United States Chemical Service in Porto Rico, visited his parents in Springfield, Ohio, recently.

ALPHA UPSILON, GETTYSBURG.

Brother White Hutton, '97, Professor at Dickinson Law School, is delivering a series of six lectures to the Seniors on the Common Law.

Brother Brehm, '04, has returned to Grampian, Pa., after a few days visit to his home and the chapter. He intends to open a Normal School which he will conduct during the Summer.

Brother Geo. S. Rentz, '03, who has been teaching at Mifflinburg, intends to enter the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg next Fall.

Brother W. A. Geesey, '04, was recently admitted to the Blair County (Pa.,) bar.

Brother Rinard, '03, has accepted a Lutheran charge in Leetonia, Ohio.

Brother Luther Gross, '01, formerly of Hampstead, Md., has accepted a charge at Jonesboro, Ill.

Brother James A. McAllister, D. D., '98, of Isabella, Porto Rico, and Miss Effie E. Anderson, of Philadelphia, were married at San Juan, Porto Rico, March 23d, 1906, by Rev. Robert McLean.

BETA BETA, SOUTHERN.

Henry Trawick, formerly located at Troy, Alabama, is now the pastor of the Perry Street Methodist Church, Montgomery, Alabama. A sermon delivered by him at a recent convention of the Sunday-School Association of Alabama excited most favorable comment in the newspapers of his city.

BETA DELTA, ALABAMA.

Wiley, '05, is practicing law in Troy, Ala.

Welborn, '01, is cashier of the City National Bank at Anniston, Ala.

Bradshaw, '08, has excepted a lucrative position at Bellamy, Ala.

J. E. Daniel, '07, is connected with a law office in Tuscaloosa.

BETA ETA, OHIO WESLEYAN.

C. H. Neilson, Ph.D., M. D., who is the associate professor of Physiological Chemistry in the St. Louis (Mo.,) University, is spending six months at the Berlin University.

BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE.

Clarence Carey, Leffingwell, New York's circulating manager of *Collier's Weekly*, was united in marriage April 24th, to Miss Marguerite Crofoot, of New York.

L. M. Hardenburgh is superintendent of the iron mines at Hurley, Wisconsin, and J. M. Davis is the cashier for the same company.

BETA LAMBDA, MICHIGAN.

On the 28th of March, Charles G. Bailey, '04, Law, was married to Miss Clara McNitt, of Lake City, Michigan.

Paul S. Miller, '03-'05, Med., is interne in the University Hospital.

GAMMA BETA, TUFTS.

Harvey Toy has become the proud father of a baby girl.

Harry Adams Hersey, recently ordained to the Ministry, will be married on May 1st, to Miss Lottie May Champlin, of Hartford, Conn.

GAMMA ZETA, ILLINOIS.

L. E. Robinson was married to Miss Eva. Struble, on May 2d. Brother Robinson is now engaged in newspaper work at Newton, Iowa.

The engagements of Walter W. Williams, '03, and Miss Mary V. Moore, and Chas. H. Demitz and Miss Virginia Sherwood are announced.

R. W. Elden, '05, recently Secretary of the Illinois State Highway Commission, is now Assistant Engineer of the same.

Roscoe O. Davis, Ensign U. S. Navy, is now in the U. S. Naval Hospital at Navy Yard, Mare Island, Cal., on account of a sickness which he contracted while in the Orient.

Ashton E. Campbell, '04, is practicing law in Champaign, Ill.

Rolla E. Townsend is now with the Mexico Central Railroad, with headquarters near Tantoguca, Mexico.

Chas. H. Denitz is with the American Bridge Company at Sewickley, Pa.

GAMMA THETA, NEBRASKA.

Thomas Halden is Private Secretary to the President of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co., at Denver.

Fred. J. Schanfelberger, Jr., is in the Engineering department of the Moffatt Railway Company, with headquarters at Denver. Edwin Hoffnell is with the Denver Water Co.

Fred. Windmayer has accepted the position of Assistant Manager of the Sheet Music department of Druff & Son, Washington, D. C., and is now located in that city.

George A. Scott is with the National Biscuit Co., Kansas City, Mo.

GAMMA LAMBDA, COLORADO.

George B. Drake is located at Denver, and is in the law offices of Bicksler, Bennett & Nye.

GAMMA MU, KANSAS.

Brother Orville H. Brown is studying in Vienna. Brother Brown took his Ph.D. in Physiology at the University of Chicago last year, and is now Assistant Professor of Pharmacology in St. Louis University.

GAMMA PI, WASHINGTON.

Brother Marvin W. Taylor, who for the past year has been Principal of the Prosser (Washington) High School, has been elected City Superintendent of Schools of that thriving little city.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS.

ALLENTOWN.

Although silent as far as the PALM is concerned, the Allentown Alumni Association is neither asleep nor dead. On the other hand, its members have been unusually active recently. The conclave of Province V held here on Feb. 22, 1906, passed very pleasantly and its great success was largely due to the efforts of the committee of the Association.

At present another committee is soliciting funds for the projected chapter house. The lot for the same has already been purchased and building operations will be commenced as soon as the mortgage on the lot has been liquidated. This mortgage is not very large and the prospects are that it will be paid during the coming month.

ATLANTA.

The A. T. O. Alumni Association of Atlanta is composed of the residents of this and adjoining counties, as so many of our Alumni doing business here live in suburban homes. We have a large and enthusiastic membership and the Atlanta spirit, that of activity, shows up in our meetings which occur quarterly. The officers are: President, A. I. Branham, American Book Co.; Vice-President, Hugh Richardson, Real Estate and Loans; Secretary and Treasurer, A. D. Kennedy, Southern Cotton Oil Co.; Correspondent, Geo. S. Tigner, Dentist.

We meet in the hall of the Tech. chapter, and share the rental of the same. About this time of the year we give an annual dinner and invite distinguished Alumni and representatives from the active chapters in Georgia.

Our annual Dinner will be given on May 18th at the Capitol City Club, at which Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, C. H. Fenn and Vassar L. Allen are expected as our guests of honor. It will be an elegant affair and we expect to be rejuvenated to college days and filled with more good fellowship amongst the entire local Alumni.

GEO. S. TIGNIER.

BIRMINGHAM.

In response to a request for definite information regarding the plans so far made for the entertainment of the next Congress by our Birmingham brethren, the editor of the PALM was generously supplied with statements by four of the most active brothers, viz: L. H. Putnam, Congress Secretary; Hugh Martin, the Fraternity Architect; John H. Toye, the chairman of the Finance Committee and W. D. Nesbitt, the president of the Association. It is to be regretted that a lack of space forbids their publication *in toto* at this time. Accordingly this pleasure is reserved for a later issue.

From these statements however, we glean that the Birmingham brethren have not been idle. Although it is too early to set forth exactly what may be expected in the way of entertainment, it is cheering to know that the wherewithal, in the sum of \$1,825.00, is already garnered. That fact, alone, presages a good old Alpha Tauic time in December. All the brethren now need and want is a little more time and a big attendance. The following is the cordial invitation extended by Brother Putnam, the Secretary:

To the High Council, Members of the active chapters, and the members of the fraternity-at-large.

When the hosts of Alpha Tau Omega gather in the great southern city of Birmingham, Ala., next December they will find near seven score and ten loyal, warmhearted brothers awaiting them with hearts full of love, heads full of plans for their pleasure and enjoyment, and hands full of good things that make the life of man "worth while."

Already many of the men are beginning to pin the "finest" in Birmingham, and those who are wearing the Maltese cross as "sisterly members" are holding on to them with "dear" as well as "dearest's" life. After a sojourn in many of the southern cities the writer finds the Birmingham belles the fairest, the finest and the fas— (I mean the most fascinating) in this sunny southland. No one from a "fresbie" to the old gray haired brother with no hair at all will need to feel lonesome or the lack of pleasant company during the Christmas week when so many of us will be away from home and "loved ones." We will have plenty of lovely ones here for all so that none need feel the lack of the touch of the "fair, feminine family."

Our men are gathered from the four corners of the country and here

doing things for themselves and others. The leaders of every profession are on the membership list of our Alumni Association and young material which promises to help make Birmingham the biggest, busiest and best city in the South is coming to us from our active chapters. The city is located between two ranges of mountains and extends for several miles each way up and down the famous Jones Valley of North Alabama. Coal, limestone and iron make this district the most favored spot in all of the world for the manufacture of steel and the allied industries. It has been said that "the making of iron is the making of men" and if this be true, Birmingham is a great market for men as well as for material.

Skyscrapers are reaching toward the clouds, wide, well-paved streets are crowded with streams of humanity, beautiful avenues adorned with magnificent residences and the spirit of the city and it's people which is "Biggest or bust" are helping to make this the "Pittsburg of the South." The latch-key is always on the outside for an Alpha Tau brother when in the city and a warm, southern welcome awaits every visitor to the Congress next December.

"Come one, come all both great and small,
A welcome waits you here next Fall.
Our hopes rise high, nigh to the sky,
When a Tau brother our eye doth spy."

With the aid of the Birmingham brethren, we expect to devote a considerable portion of the September and December issues to the Congress. The December issue in particular will be replete with Congressional information.

CHICAGO.

The Chicago Association is in a good condition and is holding pleasant little reunions and dinners at various times, more definite news of which have been jealously guarded from the PALM's chief inquisitor. The PALM man, nevertheless, learned, *sub rosa*, that the following officers were recently elected and is going to violate the confidence of his informant by this expose: President, W. N. Dunning, Ill. Gamma Zeta; Vice-President, Chas. H. Fry, Ind. Gamma Gamma; Secretary - Treasurer, L. F. Parton, Col. Gamma Lambda. It is likely that the Chicago Association will have a letter in the next PALM.

DENVER.

Brother E. M. Hoffnell, Neb. Gamma Theta, is employed on the staff of the Denver Union Water Co. A recent number of the *Outlook* publishes a number of his photographs illustrating life in the wilds of the West.

Brother R. J. Hill, N. Y., Beta Theta, is now a resident of Denver, and an occasional visitor at informal reunions.

Brother D. E. Rust, Ind. Gamma Gamma, formerly purchasing agent for the Northern Coal Co., and one of the enthusiastic Tau Alumni, has accepted the management of the Walsenburg Foundry Co., at Walsenburg, Colo.

Brother J. C. Wilson, Tex. Gamma Epsilon, who has sojourned in Colorado for the past year, has left for Texas probably El Paso.

Brother F. J. Schaufelberger, Neb. Gamma Theta, has removed to Tucson, Arizona, where he goes into service with the Southern Pacific.

Brother J. E. Dyer, Colo. Gamma Lambda, was married on March 14, to Miss Josephine Seeley, of Boulder, Colo. The Boulder chapter attended in a body and a half dozen or so of the alumni were present. Dyer is city attorney of Chetenne, Wyo.

The latest Tau to make his presence known is Brother Alfred Yost, of Penn. Alpha Iota. We have been glad to become acquainted with him and to learn from him that his health is gradually improving.

Brother J. J. Banks is heading a movement to herd a large Colorado delegation to the Birmingham Conference. Brother Banks was formerly president of the Birmingham Association of Alumni.

W. M. APPEL.

MINNESOTA.

As prophesied in our last letter the Minnesota Alumni Association has become a permanent organization. Meetings (smokers) are held monthly during the college year and on March 8th, of each year (the anniversary of the installation of the local chapter) a banquet is to be held. Consequently on the evening of March 8th, the members of the Alumni Association and of the local chapter met at the West Hotel and partook of ten courses of "goodness." The table was beautifully decorated with flowers and the room was banked with palms and ferns, the color scheme of blue and gold being carried out even to the programs and lights; the following is a clipping from the St. Paul *Dispatch* for March 9th, descriptive of the affair:

"The first annual banquet of the Minnesota association and the fifth annual installation banquet of the university chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity was held in the club rooms of the West Hotel last evening. Covers were laid for thirty persons. H. A. Lyons, of Cornell university, delivered one of the addresses. The rooms were decorated in blue and gold, the fraternity color, while white tea roses, the fraternity flower, were used as favors. An orchestra of stringed instruments played. President J. R. Rothrock, of St. Paul, was toastmaster. Telegrams and letters were read from prominent members of the fraternity throughout America, among them being a letter from Judge Page Morris, the Vice-President of the association. Addresses were made by J. C. Childs, Prof. D. D. Rider, J. E. Kremer, E. H. Trowbridge and J. B. Ladd, of St. Paul."

At our last meeting the Association voted a cash prize of \$50.00 to the first member of Minnesota Gamma Nu who makes either of the honorary fraternities, Phi Beta Kappa or Sigma Xi.

WM. H. OPPENHEIMER.

NEW YORK.

The New York Alumni dinner was a month later this year than usual, owing to the illness of some of those most concerned in our association affairs.

We finally rounded up an enthusiastic crowd of fellows on Saturday evening, March tenth. That superb hostelry Hotel Astor was the place of meeting. We had to be content with regrets from Dr. Glazebrook, Dr. Thomas, Brother Homer Folks and many others who have so graciously lent their presence and eloquent voices in past years.

With happy hearty yells and songs and a menu card stacked with all that makes for good cheer, we arrived at the end of two hours in the best of humor to listen to some good toasts.

Brother Moss, president of the association presided. Brother Walter H. Page responded to "What use for the fraternal relation after leaving college." Brother John M. Thompson, "Steps in actual development in the last five years." Brother Nathan F. Griffin on "Questions which will develop interest of the Alumni in Fraternity." Brother Hamilton C. Connor of the Philadelphia Alumni Association and chief of Province V. responded to the "Relation of the Alumni Association to the Province." The boys from the Columbia chapter are always good enough to add the real school spirit to our affairs by their presence.

Brother McBain gave a good account of the stand they are making for a chapter house and interesting new men.

We spent a genial hour in talk and listening to the delightful vocal selections of Brother Lanham.

F. R. BOTT.

WASHINGTON.

Several of the Washington City Alumni took dinner together at the University Club in that city on Wednesday, April 25, with Brother and Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook as the guest of the evening who was in the city for a few days on a visit to his son, Dr. L. W. Glazebrook. As Chairman of the High Council, of course he had some news for the "boys" concerning the workings of the fraternity's governing boards, and before separating, after a most pleasant time, a telegram of congratulation and loyal allegiance was sent to Dr. Lyon at St. Louis, the new Worthy Grand Chief. Dr. Lyon replied the next day in appreciative language. It was the opinion of the Alumni present that the High Council had selected very wisely and the choice pleased everybody.

H. P. S.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

PROVINCE I.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON—ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

A delightful entertainment was given to the chapter last month by Mrs. Averyt, the mother of one of our brothers. The house was tastefully decorated in old gold and sky blue, and a more delightful evening could not have been spent.

M. A. Frazer, who was elected to represent the college at the Alabama Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest has held up the college record. There have been only four contests and Alpha Epsilon has been represented three times and has won each time.

Brother C. M. Howard has received an appointment to Annapolis. We much regret to lose Brother Howard, but wish him much success.

We all enjoyed a visit of Brother Hastings from the Southern University. Brothers McGehee, Ward and Sadler were with us a great deal when they came over on their baseball trips. We were glad to have them.

Our baseball team has had a very successful year so far. We have played Alabama, our old rival, two games and won both. We are glad to have Brother Marks play third base for us.

We very much enjoy having Brother Hudson with us. He is an old Tech. man, and is taking a special course in chemistry here.

JULIUS T. PEARSON.

ALABAMA BETA BETA—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter, since last you heard from us, has been earnestly and effectively performing its work. Beta Beta has always had her share of medals and this year will prove no exception for Brothers Lazenby, McGehee, and Sadler, who are to represent us commencement, are making every possible effort to be at roll call when the medals are distributed. Besides this we will have a good per centage on the honor rolls.

Out of the nine regular men on the baseball team Beta Beta has been represented by Brothers McGehee, Chapman, Ward, the star player of the team and Hastings. Brother Sadler is manager and Brother Howell, a first year's man, is his assistant.

On the 28th of March we celebrated the twenty-first anniversary of Beta Beta by a seven course banquet at the residence of Brother Ward. Brother Sadler was toastmaster and the following responded to toasts:

Lazenby, "Beauties of Fraternity Life"; Prof. Atkinson, "A. T. O. Principles in Professional Life"; Frazer, "The Goat"; Hastings, "Friendship"; Rice, "A. T. O. Rose", and Sadler "The Host."

Again on the 27th of April we had our annual picnic—here we also enjoy ourselves to the limit.

Recently our chapter sustained a great loss by Brother Chapman having been called home on account of sickness in his family. We hope, he will be able to return next year.

We lose by graduation this year Brothers Sadler, Rice and McGehee—we are sorry to see them go, but we trust, that as now they will be out in the world, they will make true men of themselves and thereby be a credit to Alpha Tau.

Our college closes on the first of June and then comes the saddest time of the year when Beta Beta is broken up for a season.

F. G. HASTINGS.

ALABAMA BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Since our last letter the Death Angel visited our chapter and took from us our beloved Brother Thomas VanRensellar Mathews, Jr., who was one of the most popular boys in school. We deeply mourn the loss of Brother Mathews and feel that his place can never be filled.

Brothers Burks and Shepherd are playing star ball on 'Varsity. Brother Brannen was recently made President of the Erosophic Literary Society.

We are still working hard for our chapter house and we hope to have one in the near future.

Our chapter recently enjoyed a pleasant visit from Brother Bradshaw, who is now in the lumber business in South Alabama. We also have a very pleasing remembrance of the visit of Brothers Travis and Inglis from Vanderbilt, also Brother Marks from Auburn.

The prospects of next year are very good. Nearly all the old men are coming back and we have several good men in view who will make loyal Alpha Taus.

LEROY H. WOODRUFF.

FLORIDA ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

Since our last letter to the PALM we have added two new men, viz: Gannett C. Robey, Tampa, Fla. and Alston R. Haile, Lake City, Fla. Brother Haile is the leader of the College band. Brother Robey is Chief Trumpetier of the corps of Cadets.

We were very glad to have Brother Chas. Gross, of Colorado Gamma Lambda with us for a few days. He came to Florida for his health. Brother A. I. Branham, President of the Atlanta Alumni Association, was in our town for a short time only. One of our number had the pleasure of meeting him.

Alpha Omega will be well represented in the commencement exercises. We hold our own in baseball. Brother Phil Carter is the star twirler of the 'Varsity, while Brother Evans holds down one of the fields.

Brother I. A. Simpson has returned to the University much to our delight and has affiliated himself with us again.

LUTHER W. HOLLOWAY.

GEORGIA ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

On the 21st of last April the University Cadets and classes in civil engineering went to Gainesville for their annual encampment. Alpha Tau was well represented—having nine men with the cadets and one with the engineers. This outing was greatly appreciated by the boys in that it occurred during the week following second term examinations.

Immediately after sending in our last letter it was our pleasure to initiate Mr. Harold Reynolds, of Lexington, Ga. He is one of the kind that will stay with us until graduation.

Brother Wirn captured a place in the Junior Oratorical Contest and Brothers Reynolds and Connor won places as Sophomore speakers.

Since the beginning of the baseball season we have had visits from Brothers Beane, of Beta Iota, Ogden, Flowers and Hutchinson of Trinity.

LEO. JOSEPH.

GEORGIA ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE.

As predicted in our last letter Georgia Alpha Theta is to be well represented upon the stage at commencement, four out of sixteen, or twenty-five per cent. of our fellows having won places. Those who have won places are: Brother W. C. Cooper, of the Freshman class, Brother C. V. Stanton, of the Sophomore class, and Brothers P. E. and Wm. L. Bryan, of the Junior class. This is an increase of one man over the number that represented us last year and the year before, we are neither going backward nor standing still, but, in keeping with the true A. T. O. spirit, are steadily pushing forward.

Also, as predicted, we are continuing to hold our own along athletic lines, having placed six men on the various baseball teams from the different classes. On the Senior team we have, Wilson, first base; Quillian, third base; on the Junior team, Burt, left field; P. E. Bryan, second base; Wm. L. Bryan, first base; and on the Sophomore team, Clements, right field. We have more men on the Junior squad than on any other, and this is the only squad that has not yet lost a game.

At the time we wrote our March letter we were fifteen strong, but since then Brother H. C. Miller, who was forced to drop out of college last Spring on account of sickness, has returned to swell our ranks and receive a hearty welcome back into the dear old halls of Georgia Alpha Theta. At our meeting on Saturday night, April 7, Brother H. E. Osborne, one of Alpha Theta's most loyal alumni, favored us with an appreciated visit. On the following Saturday night it was our pleasure to have with us Brother J. F. Roberts, who, after being out of college for two years, informs us that he intends returning next Fall. We shall be glad to have inimitable "Sam" with us again.

On last Saturday night, April 28, we celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of our chapter, but did not, as we had expected, have the Georgia conclave at the same time, which is now scheduled for next Saturday night. Everybody present at our anniversary exercises seemed to enjoy himself thoroughly. The initial number on the program was a declamation by Brother W. C. Cooper, who was followed by Brothers C. V. Stanton, C. B. Quillian and T. J. Dempsey. After the regular program had been completed, all our visiting brothers were called upon for speeches, and these were much enjoyed. Our two *fratres in facultate*, Rev. R. G. Smith and Dr. E. K. Turner, responded with speeches that revealed the deep interest they still cherish in the welfare of their beloved fraternity.

In addition to the sixteen active members of our chapter, the following brothers were present: H. H. Arrington, ——— Dawson, and H. M. Corse, Georgia Beta Iota; Henry and Lewis McCalla, Georgia Alpha Beta; Dr. E. K. Turner, Alabama Beta Beta; Rev. R. G. Smith, H. P. Arnold, W. J. Hatcher, W. L. Hatcher, and J. R. Wolley, Georgia Alpha Theta.

WM. L. BRYAN.

GEORGIA ALPHA ZETA—MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Commencement will soon bring our work to a close. The end of the year sees our chapter and the University in a flourishing condition, with bright outlooks.

The school has just received a liberal donation from Mr. Carnegie for a commodious library building. Some important changes have been made in the curriculum, the Bachelor of Science degree having been abolished.

These changes with the new dormitory, mentioned in the last letter, will undoubtedly aid the fraternities here greatly, by inducing more and better material to attend.

Our chapter has taken much interest, this Spring, in athletics, being represented on the 'Varsity ball team by Brother Roy Smith, pitcher; Brother Whatley, right fielder; and the writer, assistant coach.

We will lose Brother Nall by graduation, he being the only one of the present chapter not returning next year.

Since last letter Brother Jerrigan has left us, and is now attending the Agricultural Department of Oread Institute, Maryland.

We have just received an invitation to the banquet of the Atlanta Alumni Association. Those of us who will attend, are anticipating a most pleasant time, and are congratulating ourselves that we are to have the opportunity of meeting our beloved founder, Brother Glazebrook.

JAS. A. LOFTIN.

GA. BETA IOTA—GA. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY—ATLANTA.

Since our last letter to the PALM our fraternity life here has been one of great pleasure. Of course that is as it should be, but we have tried to put the principles of the Alpha Tau into daily practice, instead of taking them as pretty theories.

About a month ago, the chapter was entertained in a true Alpha Tau manner by Mrs. Abbott, the mother of one of our fellows.

It is no unusual event for a crowd of college men to paint a city, a certain glaring color—but instead, we have decided to awaken the natives of this villa by showing them some of the most enticing tints of gold and blue.

The first coat of said paint will be applied on Friday, May 18th.

The alumni are to have a banquet at the Capitol City Club on that date, and the chapter and representatives from the other Georgia chapters will be on hand.—“And we won’t go home till the morning.”

The chief attraction at this banquet will be our venerable founder—Dr. Glazebrook, who has come from New York especially for the occasion.

The Friday following the banquet, we hope to have recovered sufficiently from the pleasure and excitement of same,—and the “good spirits” of our hosts—to have a dance.

This will be one of the biggest social events of the year, and will be the last social “stunt” until Commencement week.

The year just closing has been one of great success in every way. We have been represented in every phase of college life and have taken a higher stand in academic work than any other fraternity here. We have lost fewer men, and will return a larger proportion of our present chapter than any other fraternity here.

Our prospects are exceedingly bright for next year. We hope to return our entire chapter—with one exception, and we will be further strengthened by the return to the college of Brother McNamara.

Your correspondent is to depart this life in June (by graduation,—he hopes,) and will be the only one absent next year.

Brother MacDonell has been appointed staff artist of the “Georgia Tech.”—our college magazine. His work has been one of the features of “Life” and “Colliers” for sometime. I almost said “queer” features.

We are to have some large and well fixed club rooms next year, and after we move in them, we will consider it a special pleasure if any of the visiting brothers will call and make himself at home with us.

J. S. BEANE.

PROVINCE II.

CALIFORNIA GAMMA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since the writing of our last chapter letter times have been rather strenuous. Social functions and athletics have filled up all our spare time until April 18th, a momentous day for this part of country. We were then visited by a severe earthquake which, however, left the University unharmed, as well as the town of Berkeley, but wrought havoc in San Francisco. The University Cadets were called out on the night of April 18th and guarded a section of San Francisco comprising two square miles. They saved valuables and property for the stricken people as they fled before the flames, and for two days had practically no food or rest. Then on returning to Berkeley all college work was suspended and the military department policed the streets. A camp of refugees was formed on the campus and Hearst Hall turned into a temporary hospital. Co-eds who had never before turned their hands to work got in and made splendid nurses. All assisted at the relief stations where free food and clothing were handed out to the needy. This work was, however, gradually systematized until it could be handled by a picked force, and college was closed. By May 1st practically everyone had returned to their homes, although the date formerly set for commencement week was May 16th.

Stanford suffered severely from the earthquake we hear, some of the fraternity houses even being hard hit. Our damage comprised nothing more than a broken chimney.

News comes at the last minute that Bro. Gallaway, '07, has been elected to the Golden Bear, the Junior Honor Society.

CHESLEY BUSH.

COLORADO GAMMA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Since the last issue of the PALM we have acquired to new members, viz.: Richard Casy, Niagara Falls, New York and William Hood, Georgetown, Colorado.

We have been in the center of the ring and you ought to see the other fellow. Bill Kelly won out as business manager of the *Silver and Gold*, the College weekly, after such a fight as the University had never before seen. It shadowed any scrap that we were ever pushed into and may we ever be as successful. With three of the strongest fraternities in the school combined against us, A. T. O., aided only by Kelly's popularity and past record won the battle royal. This same Kelly is also President of the Debating Club and lately managed the most successful oratorical contest ever held in the University.

In athletics we again had the school. On this year's 'Varsity baseball team we have three veterans, Garst shortstop and leader of the team in batting, Walsh center fielder and Bailey alternate pitcher. In the fraternity league we are again well at with the season but half over. The championship pennant having been absent from our pole but one year since the league was organized.

We have already begun our campaign for next year having held a very successful rushing stunt in the shape of a picnic dance at Boulder Lake. Going to and from the lake in automobiles and tallyhos and at the dance keeping things moving we succeeded in opening the eyes of some embryo college men so wide that we drop a pledge button in any time we so desire. On the twelfth of May we expect to get in some more good work. That day, the annual High School Day, the State School, will hold a track and field meet on 'Varsity field. We expect to entertain many of the visitors and close the day with a house dance in the evening.

The Senior class will this year present "As You Like It" as the feature of commencement week. In the cast we have "Capt." Kirton, leading man, and Mart Cristenson in a minor role. Hudston held second lead up until lately when he owing to development of other affairs fully capable of occupying his time withdrew from the cast.

May fourth our anniversary saw the crowning event our year, in the shape of the annual dance. We were fortunate in securing the ballroom of the new Elks' Temple and with this as a starter "went to it." The decorations although simple were very pretty consisting of potted palms and yards of trailing pine leading up to a crown consisting of an A. T. O. pin studded tiny colored electric bulbs.

A. H. JONES.

LOUISIANA BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

The college term at Tulane will be somewhat longer than usual this year, for the colleges did not open until November 1st because of the epidemic of fever in New Orleans last Fall, and the lost time must be made up. However, Louisiana Beta Epsilon has been so busy that it is really a pleasure not to be compelled to stop meetings for Summer vacation so early. The fact is, the chapter now has eight men on its pledge list, and it should have a banner year during '06-'07.

The nineteenth banquet of the Louisiana Beta Epsilon was held at Talatoire's on March 17th. In spite of the fact that our host was French and that the day was St. Patrick's, the banquet was a great success, and everyone had a royal good time. Brother Edward Rightor was at the head of the table, from which place of honor, he introduced each speaker with some witty remarks. The speakers were: Brother Tinder Abbot, "The Principles of Alpha Tau;" Brother John Janvier, "Relization of our Chapter House Plans;" Brother I. S. Rshleman, "My Own Ideas;" Brother D. B. Gannon,

"Alpha Taus to Be;" Brother Gilbert, "Our Sisters." About thirty A. T. O's were present, and, after the banquet, an enthusiastic discussion of the plans for a chapter house ensued, (although things have not been decided entirely as yet, several committees were appointed and Louisiana Beta Epsilon should have a home of its own before very long).

The last Junior German of the year was danced at the Refectory on the night of Friday, May 11th. Brother Charles Armstrong, President of the German Club, led the dancers through several graceful figures. He was ably assisted by Brother Donald Gannon.

The *Jambalaya* has appeared, and it is one of the best annuals ever gotten out at Tulane. Brother Lucien Lyons is on the editorial board.

During the past year the Grim Reaper has taken from our midst Brothers Jules Blanc Butler, Dudley Avern, and Chauncey Warren Stone.

LUCIEN E. LYONS, JR.

TEXAS GAMMA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

It seems that at last we are to have a chapter house. At a meeting in Houston last Fall, a committee was appointed to look into the matter, but nothing definite was done until last month when Brothers Cleveland, Franklin, and Latham, of Houston, and Brother Thompson, of Sherman, came to Austin and called a meeting to discuss the matter. At this meeting a plan was devised for raising the necessary funds and over \$700 in cash was raised among the small crowd present. All that has stood between this chapter and a house all this time was a little work, and now that the alumni have taken taken hold so enthusiastically there is no reason why we should not have a house to go into next Fall.

We lose by graduation this year Brothers McMillin, Burney, Gieser, and Cox, but Burney will return as instructor in the law department. The next session opens October 1.

G. M. Cox.

PROVINCE III.

ILLINOIS GAMMA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The contract for our new house has been let to Mr. Stoolman, of Champaign, and work was commenced the 1st of May. We expect to be located in it at the beginning of the next collegiate year.

Our eleventh annual dance, given April 27th, was a very enjoyable affair. According to the custom established last year a picnic was given the day following. There were about sixty couple at the dance, including Brothers Haltron, Lindley, Goss, Smith, McDonald, Neikirk, Hunsicker, Warner,

Scott, Daniels, Hart, of Indiana Gamma Omicron, and the following out of town alumni: Lester E. Rein, Arthur W. Kirkwood, Harvey C. Wood, Jas. Wehrstedt, R. Waldo Elden, and Dwight Haussler.

Besides the above mentioned brothers we have had visits from the following alumni since our last letter: J. S. Cleavinger, Sidney B. Fithian, and Parker H. Hoag.

We initiated Brother Leo P. Baird, of Abingdon, Ill., on the 18 of March.

Two new sororities have been installed at Illinois lately. They are Delta Gamma and Sigma Kappa.

We now have twenty-three active members in our chapter and one pledge. We lose by graduation this year four brothers.

J. JUNE DAVIS.

ILLINOIS GAMMA XI—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

In all the social functions of the University we have been well represented. The Junior Prom. which was the only large dance given by the University this year was unusually successful. The monotony of our studies has been broken by a very enjoyable card party and dance held at the chapter house. Plans are well under way for closing the year with a house party in June.

Spring athletics are well under way, and Staggs expects to turn out winning teams. Brother Paul who is alternating at pitch and right garden is playing his last year on the team, and as usual, is leading his teammates in batting and fielding. Mefford is endeavoring to do things in the broad jump, and at present it looks as though he would make good for the Conference meet. Unusual interest is being shown in the Inter-Fraternity baseball league and Alpha Tau has an even chance of winning the pennant.

Gamma Xi only loses one member, Lee Rowe by graduation. His absence will be keenly felt as he has always been an enthusiastic and earnest worker.

The monthly alumni dinner have been fairly successful, and all brothers are earnestly urged to attend. We have received visits of late from the following brothers: Sansbury, Ind. Gamma Omicron; Miner, Whitehead, and Douthett, Ind. Gamma Gamma; Arnold, Mich. Beta Kappa; Miles, N. Y. Alpha Omicron; Hannum, Col. Gamma Lambda; Davidson, Neb. Gamma Theta; Hastings, Tenn. Omega; Barney, Mich. Beta Lambda; Vosskuehler, Ohio Beta Omega; Criswell, Ohio Beta Eta; Leffingwell, Mich. Beta Kappa.

PAUL W. ANDRUS.

INDIANA GAMMA GAMMA—ROSE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Since the last issue of the PALM we have initiated Roger De Land French. French comes here as an instructor in Civil Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic. While a student in that institution he organized the "Arm and Hammer Club."

We were pleased to have with us at Brother French's initiation Brother Bowles, of Michigan University, who was spending his Easter vacation at his home, near here.

We also received a short visit from Brother Kerwin, of Chicago University, '05, a few weeks ago.

Brother Budge, one of our last year initiates, who was prevented from being in school this year is again with us and expects to start in his schoolastic work again next Fall.

Brothers Lock and Hood, of Tufts, are still in the city, and we are able to show them a little of Alpha Tau hospitality occasionally.

In baseball this year we are well represented, Brother Douthett is in the pitchers box and Brother Miner holds center field against all comers. He is also manager of the 1906-1907 Basket ball team.

DON MCDANIEL.

INDIANA GAMMA OMICRON—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

As we near the close of our college work for the year of 1906, and look back over the records for the past nine months of Indiana Gamma Omicron, we are glad to find that we have finished, in all respects, a most prosperous period. An inspection of the chapter roll shows a marked increase, for we have worked throughout the year on the theory that it is never too late to pledge a good man. As a result of this we shall soon initiate unto the mysteries of Alpha Tau the following new men: W. H. Hart, C. A. Jaqua, and H. C. Newell.

According to faculty regulation we are not permitted to initiate Freshmen until April 1st, and on that date four representative men of the Class of 1909 were made Alpha Tau's. We take this opportunity of introducing to the fraternity Brothers R. E. Scott, C. R. Hunsicker, R. J. Neikirk, and D. B. White.

We will only lose two men by graduation this year, Brothers Haltom and Park. Both have secured good positions, and we hope them the best of success. Brother Haltom is a charter member of the chapter, and he has been an active, sincere worker in all chapter affairs.

The social side of Gamma Omicron has been well taken care of, and we have given a number of informal dances at our chapter house.

On April 27th, our Gamma Zeta brothers of Illinois entertained us at their annual dance with a picnic following the next day. It is only necessary to say that our Illinois brothers know how to take care of their friends, and when they visit us in the near future we shall try to show at that time our appreciation.

The baseball season opened on May 3d, with the Purdue-Wabash game. The Gold and Black came out with the larger end of the score and considering the fact that Wabash is along with the best, it is safe to say that Purdue will make a strong bid for the State championship. The track team

at present looks to be the best, and Purdue will hold her own in this line. Fraternity baseball has been started and our first game with Phi Gamma Delta will be played in a few days.

Before closing, it may prove of interest to our sister chapters to know that Gamma Omicron has incorporated a House Building Association under the name of the Alpha Tau Omega Chapter House Association of Purdue University. We have made a good start and in a few years our hopes for a new chapter house will be realized.

D. L. LINDLEY.

IOWA BETA ALPHA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

On April 24th, Iowa Beta Alpha entertained its friends at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. Porterfield (patron). Many novel stunts were introduced to make the time fly, a mock orchestra concert in the attic being not the least entertaining. The fraternity emblem was introduced in various ways throughout the course of the evening.

We have initiated S. Arthur Krell. Brother Krell is a graduate of Simpson, taking graduate work. He is principal of our city schools here.

We have also another announcement to make—the birth of William Buxton III, son of Brother William Buxton, Jr. May his shadow never grow less!

Brother Carpenter is on the 'Varsity baseball team this Spring.

Brother Landsbury delivered a lecture on Haydu at Baker University last month, and while in this vicinity visited Kansas Gamma Nu, where he was very pleasantly entertained.

Brother Verne Dusenbery is the new Senior Class President, and Brother Fausher the new President of the Kallonian Literary Society.

FRANK L. MOTT.

KANSAS GAMMA MU—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas Gamma Mu has just closed one of her most successful years. From the first of the school year until its close, she has been wide awake in all of the university affairs besides the affairs which does not enter the barbs routine of college life, but only those of Alpha Tau Omega.

All through the year we have given gatherings in our chapter house which on the whole have been a complete success. Our annual party was not given this year because we felt like the expense of refurnishing a new chapter house, and also our party would be too large an expense.

Brother Edward L. Cadius of Tufts, '94, made us a visit this Spring.

Brother Brett won the inter-fraternity debating trophy.

Brother Brett and Brother Lebrecht have been elected Phi Delta Phi the legal honorary fraternity.

Our two graduates this year are Brothers Zimmerman and Bedell.

We have pledged Charles McNally and expect to initiate him and James DuBarry this month.

H. R. LEBRECHT.

MICHIGAN ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

Since the last letter from this chapter five men have been added to the active roll. They are Arthur F. Watson, Cheboygan, Mich.; John G. White, Steubenville, O.; Joe F. White, Steubenville, O.; Perry P. Laughlin, Steubenville, O.; Harry G. Geran, Middletown, O.

All these men have made good in all branches of college activity with which they are connected. Brother Geran last year represented the State of Michigan in the National Prohibition contest. Brother Laughlin has the reputation of the best college pitcher in the State. During six college games in which he has occupied the rubber only nineteen hits were gathered off from his delivery.

On the evening of April 14th, the chapter was very agreeably surprised by a visit from Brother Candlish, who is a prominent attorney of the Chicago bar.

The chapter this year loses two men by graduation. They are Robt. S. Ritchie, of Foosland, Ill., and Earl N. Riley, of Grafton, Pa. There will probably be eight active men back next year.

School closes on the 14th of June, and the chapter is planning a reunion of the alumni for commencement week in commemoration of its twenty-fifth anniversary.

F. GRAY.

MICHIGAN BETA KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

We have three men on the ball team. Brother Hogan is captain. His batting average heads the list. Brother Myers plays centre field. Brother Knapp plays right field.

Brother Myers is captain of the track team. Several of our other men are developing into fine athletes. Brothers Baker, Knapp, Stephenson, Lockwood, and Ford are our most hopeful.

We have initiated Brothers Arnold, Ford, Stephenson, and Lockwood. We completed the initiation of Brothers Arnold and Ford on the afternoon of March 22d. And then repaired to the dining room of the Smith House where we participated in an informal banquet. Since that time Brothers Stephenson and Lockwood were likewise initiated.

A. P. Mitchell and C. D. Eddy have been pledged.

Brother Baker is President of our Athletic Association, and C. D. Eddy, one of our newly pledged men is President of the College Oratorical Association.

It was with joy that our chapter received the news of the appointment of one of her alumni, Dr. E. P. Lion, to the highest honor of our brotherhood, and we feel sure that in this capacity he will be able to satisfy the most exacting expectations.

On the evening of April 13th, our chapter rooms were the scene of great festivities. Brother Oliver assisted by his father gave a grand old Easter spread.

It is with sorrow that we think of parting with three of our worthiest members, Brothers Baker, Barker and McIntosh, by graduation. But we are somewhat solaced by the belief that when these men become actively engaged in the affairs of the world they may do something to reflect credit upon our grand old brotherhood.

C. E. LEWIS.

MICHIGAN BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

On the 4th and 5th of May, the fraternities and state clubs united in the production of a Mammoth Minstrel Show and Carnival for the benefit of the Michigan Union. It was divided into three parts, a vaudeville, an olio and farce with local setting. A street parade at noon added to the interest. The floats and general makeups of the fraternities on this occasion is long to be remembered.

On March 21st, we initiated Clayton O. Johnson, Eng., '09, of Jamestown, N. Y., and Harry Eugene Bird, Eng., '08, of Youngstown, Ohio. A few days later we were fortunate in pledging Archer Ridell, Eng., '08, of Jamestown, N. Y.

Brother Kime, '06, has been elected to Sigma Xi, the Scientific Honorary Society, in the Mathematic Department. Brother Lathrop is playing first base on the 1906 baseball team. Brother Johnson is Chairman of the Sophomore Engineer's Social Committee. Brother Lathrop is a member of the Senior Reception Committee. We lose by graduation this year Brothers Cutler, Lathrop, Kime and Wadsworth from the Literary Department; Brothers Warner and Cornelius from the Law; and Brother Francis from the Engineering Department. Of this number Brothers Francis and Kime are handicapped (at least for a time) in life's struggle by the necessity of providing for two. Brother Francis having announced his engagement to Miss Effie J. Armstrong, '06, of Lapeer, Mich., and Cupid has joined the loving heart of Brother Kime to that of Miss Carrie Bess Lycan, '07, of Paris, Ill.

ROBERT M. WADSWORTH.

MICHIGAN BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE.

The Spring term finds the chapter in excellent condition. We have lost one brother on account of sickness, but otherwise our number is intact. We have been quite successful in pledging men and expect to pledge three more shortly.

Three brothers leave us by graduation; Brothers Leonard and Cluff receive the A. B's—and Brother Wilbur his M. Acct., leaving seven active men to work in the Fall.

Brother Fall will have clear sailing in the M. I. A. A. for the tennis championship. Brother Pryor looks like a winner of the two mile, while Brothers Barnard and Blair are showing up favorably in the short sprints.

Brother Cluff, winner of a number of contests, represents the college in the State Prohibition contest.

Brothers Pryor, Fall, and Smith (pledged) are members of the College Orchestra.

Brother Leonard is assistant editor of the *Pleiad*.

Brothers Pryor, Yokom, and Cluff are officers in the Erosophian Society, the latter being its president.

Brother Percy Fall, late of Santo Domingo, Cuba, is visiting the chapter.

Our Alumni Directory is finding great favor. A marked interest has been aroused among the old men.

Beta Omicron gives its annual Spring banquet May 25th.

We expect to be in a chapter house in the Fall.

ARTHUR C. CLUFF.

MINNESOTA GAMMA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The most notable event in our chapter history this Winter has been the establishing of the Twin City A. T. O. Alumni Association. Already we are helped by them and their success is largely due to the hard work and business ability of Brother Wm. Oppenheimer, of St. Paul. Our annual banquet held at the West Hotel was given jointly by the Alumni Association and the chapter. It was a rousing meeting for northwestern A. T. O's. Brother Nuessle pledged \$500 toward a new chapter house, and Brother Ladd offers a prize of \$25 to the first man who wins the medal in debate. The first Gamma Nu who makes Phi Beta Kappa or Sigma XI is also to be given a prize offered by the Alumni Association.

Inter-fraternity leagues of every sort are here at Minnesota. First there is the Sophomore Triangle Club, then the Freshman Tillicum Club. These are social clubs and give delightful parties to their betters, the upper-classmen at frequent intervals. After these come the Inter-Frat. Bowling League, the Annual Track Meet and the Fraternity Baseball League. A. T. O. is well represented in all these, and we find it a great help to be in close touch with our brother Greeks.

Brother Caldwell, although only a Freshman, is playing a fine game at shortstop on the 'Varsity nine.

Our graduates this year are Brother J. C. Childs, Civil Engineering, and Brother P. D. Southworth, Agric. Brother Childs will pursue his studies further at Boston Tech., and Brother Southworth will take a position in Hawaii. Brother Trowbridge has accepted a position in the Phillipines and sails June 15th.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining a few of our wayfaring brothers and will be very glad to entertain any more coming to the Twin Cities.

P. D. SOUTHWORTH.

MISSOURI GAMMA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Missouri Gamma Rho is proud to offer its first letter to the PALM, not because we can hope to give a letter which will merit praise in rhetoric or any other respect, for we are too inexperienced for such accomplishments. But we insist we are proud to offer it just the same. That's all! The chapters all know why.

The past year has been a busy one for our boys, as an organization, and if we were to go into detail in regard to things that have happened, and things we have tried to do, some of our sister chapters would surely be fined for not having their letters in the PALM. Moreover, we are only allowed three articles in this issue, and we don't exactly want it a Missouri catalogue.

We have leased our house again for next year, after which we expect to occupy one to be built to our own plan. We are told, and what we have seen seems to brand it as true, that we have the most attractive and homelike chapter house at Missouri. This is perhaps because our furniture, as well as the house, is new, having been in use but a few months, and because the boys are determined to keep it so. We have discussed the chapter house fund proposition and intend to give it a prominent place in our policy from the start.

We feel very fortunate in having Brother Lyons, our Worthy Grand Chief, so conveniently near, and hope to entice him to Columbia several times next year, as well as our Province Chief and brothers from our neighboring chapters. Just here we desire to urge all Alpha Taus who happen this way to stop and tarry with us for a time. Such visits will be greatly appreciated and the more so because we have no alumni to rely upon for such pleasures.

In social circles we have taken an active part, although while a local club we realized our position and tried to guard against appearing to seek prominence. However we have given several dinners and one banquet, besides our installation banquet. We expect to give a smoker and perhaps a picnic yet this year and count on doing some big things next year.

Our prospects for Fall are flattering. We only lose two men by graduation, Brother Walborn and Brother Fessenden, so we expect to open next year with a well organized and enthusiastic crowd.

As the school year draws to a close we feel that it has been a very successful one for us and that our efforts have been well repaid. We realize, however, that with success have come broader duties and greater responsibilities. The past year we have labored for ourselves; henceforth we work for our fraternity—and ourselves.

C. H. FESSENDEN.

NEBRASKA GAMMA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Gamma Theta loses four good men this year in Brothers Metz, Sprague, and Laird who graduate from the College of Law, and Brother Hollingworth from the College of Literature, Science and Art. We, however, have not

been slow in getting new material and take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity-at-large the following new brothers: Vardman Smith, Livingston, Mont.; Chas. Campbell, Fullerton, Neb.; Harley Campbell, University Plain, Neb.

We have two men pledged, Wm. David, Porea, Neb., and Glenn Venrick, De Witt, Neb.

Brother Harold Corkling, who has been in Colorado for the past four months is spending his vacation here, visiting the bunch.

Brother Hallingworth was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at the recent election and is in line for a Sigma Xi.

Brother Vard Smith is pledged to Phi Delta Phi (Law.)

Brothers Partridge and Rorny Corkling are "Spikes," an Inter-Fraternity made up of neophytes.

Brother Sprague was elected to Master of Ceremonies of the Pan-Hel. hop which takes place May 25th. He is also candidate on the Frat. ticket for member of the Athletic Board.

Brother Howard is the whole squeeze in the Tennis Association, being Vice-President, Secretary, Treasury, Manager and crack player.

Gamma Theta gave her annual party March 10th, at Walsh Hall. Quite a number of alumni were present and helped make the evening an enjoyable one.

We have had several lawn parties since our last letter and are planning on several more before school closes.

On May 18, we are expecting Brother Van der Vries and the Gamma Mu bunch to visit us and incidentally root for the University of Kansas baseball team which plays the University of Nebraska on that date.

Brother Morrison, who is practicing law in Kansas City, Mo., visited us March 20th. Eddie is one of the original bunch here and thinks there is nothing like Alpha Tau.

Brother M. A. Gabb, of Iowa Beta Alpha, spent April 6th with us.

The Frats. here have the baseball craze and have organized teams and are competing for a pennant. Gamma Theta has not had the best of luck so far, having played one game and lost that, owing to the fact that ye scribe had lost his control over the spit-ball.

J. R. CALEY.

WASHINGTON GAMMA PI—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Brother Thomas made a place on the Freshmen crew in the inter-class regatta Junior day, May 4th. Brother Dunlap won second place in the mile run during the track meet in the afternoon.

Brother Randell, Law, '06, took part in the opera, "The Pirates of Penzance," April 20th, which was a decided success.

We are sorry to record the fact that two of our brothers are not with us who were among us at the time of our last letter to the PALM. Brother

Wilkinson quit school work in March to accept a position in Seattle in order to get some practical engineering experience, but he has still remained with us in the house. He expects to be in school again next year.

Brother Sander was unexpectedly called upon to discontinue his law studies to take charge of the home ranch on account of his father's continued ill-health. Fred was quite sorry to be compelled to leave but will return in the Fall as he did last year.

Brother Fischer was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Music for the coming commencement exercises.

Our chapter has pledged and expects to initiate on May 10th, Mr. Thomas J. L. Kennedy, of Puyauap, and Lou S. Robinson, of Spokane. Mr. Kennedy recently ran for President of the Associated Students and was defeated by a "barb" combination, but by only twelve votes out of 540. He also took part in the Junior Farce on May 3d, which was pronounced the most successful Farce ever given at the University. Mr. Robinson has charge of the wrestling class at the gymnasium and has achieved considerable distinction in that sport.

We held a little rushing party on April 21st, and expect to land some good men as a result. Our alumnus, Brother Deland, was in town and attended the affair.

Brother Parker has been re-elected Treasurer of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming year.

Our chapter had a very delightful visit from Brother Dusel, of Columbia University, New York Alpha Lambda, on April 6th, who quit school very unexpectedly the last of January to attend to business complications which arose owing to his brother's death by drowning in the recent Valencia horror. We were delighted to know that he liked Seattle better than any place he saw during his Western trip, and were further delighted to know that he will be on the Pacific coast next year attending the mining school of the University of California, and thus be affiliated with our nearest sister chapter, California Gamma Iota.

On April 15th we had a very short and unexpected visit from Brother Whidney, an alumnus of California Gamma Iota who recently moved to Seattle from Los Angeles. He promised to give us valuable advice in the matter of initiation stunts.

Brother Crollard took part in the Sophomore-Freshman Declamatory Contest on March 10th.

At the coming commencement our chapter will lose three members, Brother Nelson, Liberal Arts, who has been elected Principal of High School at Prosser, Washington; Brother Fischer, Mining Engineering, who will practice his profession in the Northwest; and Brother Randell, Liberal Arts, '04, Law, '06, who will take up the practice of his profession in Seattle. It is with great regret that we have to take leave of these brothers, Nelson, the Zoology shark who has tried for two years to classify some of us in his line; Fischer, the musical shark who has tried all year "to keep the Freshmen down;" and Brother "Doc." Randell who has been our chapter's Bill Nye, and we are glad to know that at least the last mentioned will be near us for the coming year's rushing parties and smokers.

B. A. LINDSAY.

PROVINCE IV.

MAINE BETA UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MAINE.

During the past few months Beta Upsilon has shown a marked progress in the line of development and industry. The members have taken a hold of things in a manner which bids well to make this a truly prosperous and successful year.

We have initiated Brother Harry C. Riddle, of Munson, Me. Brother Stuart, '08, has been elected captain of next year's basketball team; Brothers Boyle, Miner, and Burliegh, are doing good work on track, and we are all anticipating some favorable reports from them in the future.

Brother Williams, manager of the track team, had the pleasure of meeting several of the brothers during his trip to the Penn. meet.

We are now enjoying the companionship of Brother Flanders, '05, who is remodeling one of the large pulp mills nearby, and is taking advantage of the opportunity to pay the old chapter house a visit by making his headquarters with us.

The past week we were favored by a visit from Brothers Heath, Colbert, Powers, and Moore from Gamma Beta. The three latter were with the Tufts track team and we were all glad to welcome them.

H. P. HOSMER.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA—COLBY COLLEGE.

The fact at this commencement we lose two members by graduation, members who have ever been most earnestly devoted to the welfare of our chapter, makes those who remain feel that henceforth the burdens which they have borne, we are now to bear. Both of these men, Brother F. L. Holmes and Brother V. M. Jones are, we believe, the kind of Alpha Taus that are needed out in the world. Throughout their entire course both have taken part in various college activities. Brother Holmes is Editor-in-Chief, this year, of our college annual *The Oracle*, and his untiring efforts for the success of this publication will not be unawarded, for everything thus far (and the subject matter is now at press), indicates that it will be a book seldom if ever equalled. Brother Holmes in addition to his work for the *Oracle*, has been largely the means of bringing about the organization of a college debating society. He acted as its first president and much of the praise for a society which the whole student body is supporting, is due to him. It promises to be a permanent and valuable organization to the college. Brother Jones during the first part of the year staid out in order to teach and has therefore since his return been very busy with his regular college work. Both of these men are to teach the coming year, and we know that the spirit they have inculcated during their four years' sojourn at Colby is not now to die, but will be active in bringing to college men whom Gamma Alpha shall be pleased to welcome.

It is both natural and fitting that at this period of the year we take a view of the past as well as one of the future outlook. In retrospection can we see that our chapter has travelled the road of progress during the year which will soon be passed. We have received honors in every phase of college life. Our scholarly attainments have neither been few nor slight. We shall be represented on the prize debate which occurs the last of May. Brother Holmes was one of the successful contestants for the Senior Exhibition. Brother Moore will surely "make good" for the Junior Exhibition, while Brother V. R. Jones was chosen for the Sophomore Declamation.

When it comes to speaking of out-of-door activities, our men have been represented in every department of college athletics. Brothers Thompson and Sherburne both won "C's" in football in the Fall. Brother Libby was easily the star of Colby's basketball team and at the close of the season was elected captain for the ensuing year. Brothers Thompson and Burton are out for baseball; Brother Thompson will be substitute pitcher on the 'Varsity.

Brothers Hatch and Holmes are on the Standing Committee for college athletics. Brothers Young and Moore are on the Executive Committee of the college debating society.

V. RAY JONES.

MASS. BETA GAMMA—MASS. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

The new brothers of Beta Gamma takes this opportunity to extend their heartiest greetings to brothers of all sister chapters, and trust they will utilize any occasion which may cause them to be in Boston to visit our hall at 76 Westland Avenue.

Since our recent re-establishment we are pleased to acknowledge visits from Brothers Tupper, Wood, Robinson, Sadler, Appleton, Chase and Reid, of Vermont Beta Zeta; Brothers Wren and Hayes, of Massachusetts Gamma Beta and Brothers Swett and Price, of Rhode Island Gamma. The Boston alumni of Alpha Tau Omega also met with us on the evening of March 12, 1906 and effected an organization.

We have already made plans for establishing a house at the opening of our school year next September in closer proximity to the Institute where we will be able to welcome all visiting brothers with true Alpha Tau hospitality.

We are anxious to exchange college flags with all sister chapters for the purpose of house ornamentation as well as a means of effecting an intercourse with the other chapters and we hope to hear from all on this subject in the near future.

WALTER B. GONDER.

MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA BETA—TUFTS COLLEGE.

Gamma Beta having passed Mid-year's with the usual creditable results started on the last half year, not having lost a brother out of our chapter of thirty.

Once again have the fraternities at Tufts tried and given up the College Commons as impracticable, and now we are back again at our own dining table stimulating a fraternal spirit that can hardly be gained in any other way.

Since the last letter, Brother Wellman who was acting as Assistant Instructor in the Mechanics Department has accepted a position at the Lorraine Steel Company, Johnstown, Pa., where he now holds a very promising position.

Recently Brother Harry Adams Hersey, a senior in the Divinity School, was ordained to the office and the work of the Christian ministry, in Goddard Chapel. Brother Hersey is one of Gamma Beta's strongest and most influential men and will be missed very much when he leaves in June to accept a parish.

This year we have three of the six men representing Tufts in inter-collegiate debates. Brother Currier and Brother Mason serving on the team against Clark College, and Brother Miller serving on the team against New York University.

On the Class Day Committee this year we have Brother Chester Hayes, Jr., and Brother Dix, Brother Dix also being treasurer of the class. Brother Boardman is on the Photograph Committee. Brother Miller is Chapel Orator, and Brother Clarence E. Cousins having received the highest honor bestowed upon an A. B. student, will represent that department on the commencement platform.

One of our freshmen members, Brother James Leroy Cook, was awarded by the faculty first prize for having passed the best entrance examination.

GEO. S. CUMMINGS.

RHODE ISLAND GAMMA DELTA—BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to the PALM we have taken into the fraternity, two new brothers, and it is a pleasure for us to introduce them to the fraternity at this time. They are Everett Harold Swett, of Providence, and Virgil Ehle, of Pawtucket. They have already taken up the work of our fraternity and have proven themselves true and worthy.

The Spring term finds a great deal for us all to do here. We have laid plans for next year and have had several "rush meetings" to meet men who would be desirable for our chapter. We are trying to get a good start for the Fall. Gamma Delta loses four men by graduation this year and while there are others to fill their places still the fraternity loses two good workers in Brothers Fowler and Briggs. These two have guided us well this year and the fellows appreciate it.

Junior week has come and gone. Although we did no entertaining in the name of the fraternity, nearly all the fellows took part in the festivities. Besides the regular round of teas and dances a new feature was introduced

this year and proved a great success. It was a circus and attracted the attention of collegians and city people alike. To finish up the week the baseball team defeated Princeton 2-0 on Saturday.

The Symphony Orchestra is under the direction of Brother Gilman this Spring. Brother Wright is captain of the track team, and has proven himself to be one of the best distance men in the college world. Brother King is on the 'Varsity baseball squad. Brothers Young and Ehmke have been kept out of athletics this year on account of sickness. Brother Nourse is a "Varsity pitcher.

JNO. G. WALSH.

VERMONT BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The end of the year leaves Beta Zeta in fine shape with the brothers all on the war path for the scalps of new men. We have lost Brother Walton, '09, and Brother White, '08, and are losing, in our '06 crowd a bunch of fine, well loved brothers, but we hope to fill in next year, with some fine specimens of A. T. O. stock, and we are going to do it.

The annual college Cake Walk came off, as usual, on the twenty-second of February and was a big success. All the Frats. put on extra good stunts but Beta Zeta trimmed them all and won the cake.

The in-door and out-door class meets were all up to scratch this year, and a great time is expected at the inter-scholastic meet, held here the last of May. All the Frats. will do strenuous "horse-shedding" at this time, and Beta Zeta will take no back seat.

Brother Eaton, '07, has been elected to the "Boulder" Society, and Brother Sudler, '07, is manager of the "*Cynic*" for the coming year.

Vermont's baseball team this year is a mighty good one, and the boys have played some star games, giving Holy Cross her second defeat of the season.

R. A. SPENCER.

PROVINCE V.

NEW YORK ALPHA LAMBDA—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

With only six weeks of the year 1905-'06 before us—and these, as usual, the most strenuous of the college year—there is little time or opportunity for fraternity life of either the aggressive or the festive variety here in Columbia.

No initiation has taken place in our chapter since our last communication, but we have pledged Mr. William R. Marshall, '08, of New York, and Mr. Charles R. Carroll, '09, of Brooklyn. These men we expect to bring into the mystic bands before the end of this term. There are one or two others also whom we still have in contemplation for our final "goating."

We regret to announce that Alpha Lambda will lose by graduation this year six men. Brother Wells will receive the degree of Doctor of Philosophy,

Brother Wiggin the degree of Bachelor of Science, while Brothers Bruner, Dixon, Short and Springs will graduate in the law.

We regret also to chronicle the withdrawal from college of Brother Ceil Dickinson Barkour, '09, who was called unexpectedly to his home in California. We are looking forward to his promised return in the Fall.

In the Spring athletic activities we are being represented by Brother Grunsky on the track team, Brother French on the lacrosse team and Brother Short on the 'Varsity rowing squad.

We are happy to announce the election of Brother Beattie as a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary scientific fraternity, and the admission of Brothers Bruner, Dixon and Springs to the New York bar.

On Wednesday, May 2nd, a most enjoyable smoker was given by the chapter at its home in Claremont Hall. This was the last "function" of the year and in many respects was the most successful. The chapter was glad to have as its guests for dinner on Sunday, March 11th, Brother Connor, of Philadelphia, our Province Chief, and Brother Bott, of New York. We have also been pleased with the visits paid us this Spring by A. T. O's from a number of neighboring chapters.

In spite of the withdrawal of so many strong men at the close of the collegiate year every effort is being put forth for an auspicious reunion in the Fall. Especially are we endeavoring with the hearty co-operation of the New York Alumni Association, to secure a commodious and comfortable house immediately near the University, and we are not being frightened in this effort by the bigness of the proposition.

HOWARD L. MCBAIN.

NEW YORK ALPHA OMICRON—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY.

A short time ago our chapter joined with the local chapter of Beta Theta Pi in giving an Inter-Fraternity ball. This was the great social event of the season. The united efforts of the chapters made the affair a success in every way, and the good fellowship and hearty co-operation of the members of both chapters was remarkable. It marks an era of good feeling among the fraternity men in this University, which has never before existed.

This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of St. Lawrence University, and at commencement appropriate exercises in commemoration of the event will be held. It is expected that an unusually large number of our alumni will attend and that our alumni will be one of the largest and best in the history of our chapter.

As usual our chapter is well represented in the distribution of honors. Brother Geo. W. Overton, '08, has been chosen as business manager of the annual to be published by his class; Brothers Martin, '08 and Kimball, '08, are on the board of editors of the same publication; Brother M. C. O'Brien, '09, is captain of his class baseball team; Brother Hurlbut, '06, is leader of the Mandolin Club; Brother Priest, '07, is a member of the Junior Prom.

Committee; Brothers Ford, '07, O'Brien, '09, Calder, '09, play on the 'Varsity baseball team; and Brothers Kimball, '08, Hurlbut, '06, Hayes, '08, Martin, '08, Von Bargaen, '09, and Calder, '09, are members of the University Glee Club. Brothers Milligan, '08, Hurlbut, '06, McDonald, '08, Main, '07, and Terry, '07, were on the track team; Brother F. I. Main, '07, has been elected captain of the 'Varsity basketball team for next year. The following brothers have been granted basketball block letters for the season: Ford, '07, Main, '07, Hurlbut, '06, and Calder, '09. Brother Crane, '06, has been elected Moving-Up Day speaker for the Senior class.

GEO. C. TERRY, JR.

NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

New York Beta Theta is about to close a very successful year; handicapped as we were at the outset by the graduation of twelve men, we feel that we have done very well in bringing our chapter up to the condition in which it now finds itself. Ten new members have been initiated; the latest additions to our roll are: Brothers Frederic O. Obeling, '09, and George G. Andrews, '09. The former played on his class baseball team; the latter is making a strong bid for the assistant business managership of the college daily.

We will lose six men this year: Brothers Bassett, Brundage, Hannon, McKay, Melvin and Steele. This will leave us with a chapter roll of twenty with which to begin the next term. In addition to these we have already pledged one man and expect to affiliate two more.

Brother Brundage is on the Senior Class Day Committee.

Brother Steele is now leader of the Glee Club.

Brother Trube won the two mile race in the recent meet with Princeton.

Brother Hooper will probably again row bow on the 'Varsity four this year, while Brother Ellsworth is almost sure of steering the Junior 'Varsity eight.

Brother Page, now attending Dartmouth College and a member of the baseball team of that institution, was with us recently. Brother French, New York Alpha Lambda, visited us, while on a trip with the Columbia University lacrosse team.

Brothers S. H. Kelleran, '03, T. F. Crawford, '05, and B. F. Lies, '05, returned for short visits this Spring.

LAURENCE KNIBLOE.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA IOTA—MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

Our chapter has had a most prosperous year and we wish our sister chapters the same success. In regard to new men our most sanguine hopes have been fully realized. The chapter has gained every man it has sought, and we naturally feel proud of our eleven brothers initiated during the col-

legiate year. Since our last letter we have initiated three men and at this time we recommend to the fraternity-at-large — Brothers Francis N. Smith, '09, Charles R. Keiter, '08, Ralph R. Rudolph, '09.

On Friday evening, May 4, Pennsylvania Alpha Rho, entertained our chapter and a number of alumni at their beautiful chapter house. The banquet and smoker was of the highest order and an orchestra and quintette enlivened the evening with music and song. Late in the evening speech-making was in order. We all agreed in voting the evening a most pleasant one and that every member of the Alpha Rho chapter was as hospitable as only an Alpha Tau can be on such occasions.

Prof. Wm. N. Reese, the Asa Packer Professor of the Natural and Applied Sciences took the geology class to New York City for the purpose of study. A number of the brothers accompanied Brother Reese.

In the inter-class baseball contest for a loving cup, the following brothers play on the class teams:—Senior, Bittner, Butz, Schneller, Rudy; Juniors, Marks; Sophomore, Keiter, Kuhl, Schantz, Beck; Freshmen, Bossard, Nonamaker, Smith, Rudolph.

We are represented in the Annual Freshman Play of commencement week by these brothers who have leading parts:—Bossard, Rudolph, Smith, Stetler. Brother Kline is manager. Brothers Bossard and Rudolph are chairmen of the program and patroness committees, respectively.

During the athletic meet at Pennsylvania on May 5, Brothers Schneller and Kline visited the Pennsylvania Tau chapter and they bring back good reports of the chapter there.

It is a pleasure to be able now to read a regular letter from each and every sister chapter in each issue of the PALM. We eagerly look forward to each PALM and we feel and recognize the perseverance of the Editor in his continued efforts to place it among the leading fraternity journals of the land.

CHARLES E. RUDY.

PA. ALPHA PI—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

When this letter reaches its readers, Commencement affairs will everywhere be at their height and it is well that we speak of such local matters first. Honors have not yet been announced, but, with six seniors such as at present represent Alpha Pi, no doubt can be entertained, but that we shall receive a fair share. Besides ordinary Magna Cums, etc., we have several men, who are formidable candidates for prizes. The six whom we shall lose by graduation this year are: R. E. Blankenbuehler, S. A. McFarland, J. S. Morgan, D. C. Hays, F. H. Irwin, and F. S. James. Blankenbuehler will attend John Hopkins or Boston Tech. next year. McFarland will join an engineering corps immediately after graduation. Morgan will study medicine at Western University. Hays and Irwin are undecided. James will probably accept a position with Westinghouse in East Pittsburg.

The year just ending has seen the chapter figure with due prominence in college affairs. We have two members on the all important athletic committee, James and Richardson. We have one member of the Senior Promenade Committee. This committee consists of only two members and engineers the most important social event of the year. McFarland, besides being on this committee, has acted throughout the year as leader of a most successful Glee Club, being aided and abetted therein by Morgan and Springer, while James has gained notoriety by his ability to fake on the Mandolin Club. In addition to being social leaders, we also lead spiritually. Understand us, we mean we have President of the Y. M. C. A., D. M. Donaldson.

In athletics we have done our duty. Our participation in the "inhuman" sport of football has been recorded in former letters. Indoor sports drew our attention during the winter, with the result that several A. T. O's have gained fame and glory as basketball players and tumblers. "Nud" Hays broke a college record in the rope climb. For the first time in our history we are unrepresented on the baseball team.

On May 4, the chapter had the pleasure of meeting the Pittsburg Alumni at the annual dinner given by that association at the Fort Pitt Hotel in that city. The affair was enlivened by songs and speeches and "Lieutenant Governor" Hosack made public some stories that bid fair to become classic. His trite saying "On with the dance, let joy be unrefined," evoked spasms of joy. Quite a number of "old grads" were out and even though their conduct in several instances was scandalous, they managed by some means to get one another home.

During the Spring we have enjoyed visits from Brothers Hough, Forsythe, Marshall and Eckels of our own chapter, also from W. K. Jackson, of Virginia Delta, and J. B. Crouch, of Ohio Beta Mu. Brother Jackson came as a member of Virginia's debating team which proved a winner over a W. and J. trio of which Brother Irwin was a member.

While chapter affairs this year have been tinged with a rosy hue owing to our having a well filled active roll, our anxiety is aroused over the outlook for next year. It is a melancholy fact that from a membership of nineteen we will be reduced in number to eight and possibly six active members. The only redeeming feature is the way the fellows are going about filling the depleted ranks. We have our eyes upon quite a number of likely men in the Prep schools hereabout, most of whom we feel sure we can annex with little difficulty. Several of our ex-members promise to bring back material next Fall and stay here until we make good.

WM. W. DONALDSON.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since the writing of our last PALM letter, Alpha Rho initiated Brother Toohy, '09.

Alpha Rho has shared in some of the honors here during the past three months. Brother Hesse has been elected business manager of the *Brown and White*, the College semi-weekly and is also doing the twirling for the baseball team. Brothers Morsack and Smith are also representing us in baseball. Brother Barwis represents us on the lacrosse team while Brothers Fox, Perley, Digby and Farion are members of the squad. Brother Smith took the part of Pug Ryan, in the play, *The Brown and White* given by the Mustard and Cheese Dramatic Association of the University. In March, Brothers Wilcox and Smith were elected members of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering fraternity.

On the 19th of March, the chapter held its annual banquet, commemorating the re-establishment of the chapter at Lehigh. Besides our own members, we had with us Brothers Mantz, Cooper and Fritch of Alpha Iota.

The chapter has been recently visited by Brothers Cumins and Geisiveite of Alpha Rho, and by Brother Fish, of Maine Beta Upsilon, who is now located in New York City.

Brother Harry Fritch, Alpha Iota, gave a smoker at our home to the active and alumni members of Alpha Rho and Alpha Iota in honor of the members of Alpha Rho, who will graduate this June. Seventy brothers were present. All report having had an excellent time.

We lose five men by graduation this year. They are: Brothers Barwis, Burkey, Smull, Underwood and Volkrodt. We have plans under way for a house party at commencement time for the entertainment of our relatives and friends.

CALDER B. BRESSLER.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA RHO—PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Alpha Upsilon will close the year in a very prosperous condition, out of twelve active members in the chapter she loses but one, and has four or five "good fellows" in view for next year. We also lose one Seminarian, but Brother Rentz '03 will enter "Sem." in the Fall and will fill in Brother Rinard's place.

The chapter will hold its annual banquet at the Gettysburg Hotel on Wednesday, June 13th, we expect to have with us at that time a large number of our alumni.

We also expect to have a dance in the house during commencement week to entertain some of our out of town friends, attending the exercises of that week.

Brother Karmany, '07, has about completed a very successful baseball season as manager of the team.

Brother Donaldson, Pennsylvania Alpha Pi, visited the chapter for a few days while attending the Y. M. C. A. President's Conference at Gettysburg.

Brother Shultz, Nebraska Gamma Theta, spent a couple of days with the chapter while here, with the Cadets of the West Point Senior class, studying the battlefield.

Brothers W. B. and J. H. McClure have been elected to the staff of the 1908 *Spectrum*, the Gettysburg year book.

Brother Topper has also been elected to this staff as assistant artist.

Brothers W. B. and J. H. McClure, C. C. Hartman and Karmany are taking part in the College tennis tournament.

Brother J. N. Hartman, '06, has been elected manager of the class baseball team.

The chapter entertained a few of their fair friends at a euchre, in their house on March 14th. We also expect to give a farewell smoker in honor of Brother Rinard who will leave us in a few days, to take up his new work in the ministerial world.

The chapter is taking part in the Inter-Fraternity baseball series and up-to-date have won all the games played.

The chapter will not issue its annual report this year, on account of numerous other expenses incurred.

Brother J. N. Hartman, '06, is our representative on the Dance Committee.

Brother C. C. Hartman, '07, is class representative on the Athletic Consul.

Brother Brumbaugh, '07, is captain of his class baseball team.

Brother Raby visited Pennsylvania Tau, while attending the Relay Carnival at U. of P. on 28th.

Brothers Geesey, '04, Brehm, '04 and Hutton, '97 visited the chapter recently.

C. L. S. RABY.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Six of our chapter leave us this June—leave us, perhaps, but with memories too fond and true to die. The names of Brothers Snyder, McElwain, Hopkins, Latimer, Weissenfluh and Griffith are too intimately mingled with University affairs and too firmly woven with the principles for which Alpha Tau stands to be forgotten.

The Winter term is over, and we can look back upon it with pride in the honors which have fallen to us.

Brothers Hopkins and Snyder are on the Senior Banquet Committee, Brother J. H. Way on that for the Junior Banquet and Brother Bailey on the Sophomore.

Brothers McElwain and Sewell were of the Ivy Ball Committee, Brother Hopkins is art editor of the '06 record, C. H. Williamson on the Junior Ball Committee.

Brothers Caldwell and Arch Williams are promising members of the Mask and Wig.

Brother Swoyer elected an Editor of the "*Red and Blue*," also of the "*Punch Bowl*."

But while successful along these lines, Pennsylvania Tau has been fortunate in her athletic efforts as well. Brother Haydock is running on the one mile relay and Brother L. Latimer on the four mile. Both of these teams are above par, and expected to be well up at the finish.

Brother R. J. Waite was one of the Sophomore Bowl Guards in the annual bowlfight, as was Brother L. Williams for the Freshman. Brother Waite is on the committee for the May day sports, he will also wrestle in these games, as will Brother Lew Williams, while Brother Nelson will represent '09 as light weight boxer.

The annual banquet of the chapter was held on March 31, 1906, at the Hotel Flanders and was largely attended by the members of the chapter, together with the alumni and Brothers Otis A. Glazebrook, Erdman and Reno. Founder Glazebrook's toast was a gem and will never be forgotten by any who heard him. Brother Connor was toastmaster. The affair was a total success in every way.

A. E. SWOYER.

PROVINCE VI.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The regular May German was given on May 3rd, and Brother J. D. Pemberton most gracefully lead it. Many girls were here and the whole thing was a most enjoyable feature.

Alpha Delta has taken quite a prominent place in the Musical Association here. Brothers Pogue and Norman being second tenors in the Glee Club; Brother Curtis in the orchestra; and Brother Hall in the band.

We were very much delighted to have a visit recently from Brother Frank Wilkes of Charlotte. He was one of the first men to be taken in by our chapter and we enjoyed very much having a talk from him as to how the fraternity was run in his college days.

Brother Norman has been initiated into the Medical fraternity here. We will lose only one man by graduation this year. Brother Moore gets his B. L. degree in law and will not return to us in September. Our only other brother to graduate, Brother Pogue, will return next year to pursue post graduate work in Chem. So we hope to return ten men next year and we think that we will get at least six new ones.

JAS. T. MCADEN.

NORTH CAROLINA XI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

North Carolina Xi is in a very flourishing and prosperous condition. We hold a very prominent place in all the different phases of college life. We have always had the majority of the men on the baseball team and this year we were fortunate enough to have three on the team.

Our prospects for a chapter house seem quite bright at the present time. We are all very much enthused and are going to work hard to get one. We have a nice lot in view very conveniently situated that we are going to try to secure. We hope to be able to give something more definite by the time the next PALM comes out.

We were honored by a visit from Brother G. D. Ellsworth a few weeks ago. We were very glad indeed to have him with us and hope that he will visit us again.

Brother H. C. Satterfield, '04, paid us a visit since our last letter. We were glad to have him with us.

FRED FLOWERS.

SOUTH CAROLINA BETA XI—COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON.

The affair of all absorbing interest in our Frat. life since the last letter has been our annual German. The A. T. O. German has for years regularly come off during the first week after Easter, and is always anticipated with the keenest pleasure by our alumni, our friends and by ourselves. It was the usual success this year. Brother Alex Ball lead the German with great ability and Brother Dan O'Driscoll offered in a very impressive manner the Alpha Tau Omega toast just as supper was finished. All who attended are still enthusiastic over the great time which they had.

Brother J. J. Bingle Smith and Brother Calhoun Mays, represented the College of Charleston magazine, at the College Press Association, of South Carolina, which met in Columbia on April the fifth. They were with Brother Jack Reeves who is now at the University of South Carolina and report a very fine time. Brother Reeves is a Charleston boy who was taken in at Georgia Tech. and has since gone to Carolina. He is very popular with his fellow students, though there are no fraternities there, being president of his class, and a valuable man in the athletic field.

We are all delighted that Brother Frederic Tupper, now Professor of English, at the University of Vermont, has consented to deliver our commencement address. Brother Tupper is one of our early initiates and we have local as well as fraternal pride in his achievements.

As far as we can see at present our prospects for next year are unusually bright. We lose only one man, Brother Mays, by graduation and most of the underclassmen will be back strenuously advancing the cause of Alpha Tau. Furthermore, we expect the South Carolina Alumni Association of Alpha Taus to have been organized in Charleston by that time.

CALHOUN A. MAYS.

VIRGINIA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

We are leaving college this year with the feeling that it has been a most successful and profitable year, and with regrets that we are to be so shortly separated. However, with one or two exceptions we all hope to return again in the Fall and be together once more.

Brother Ellsworth, W. G. K. E., has just paid us an official visit and helped us to get our books in shape. It was his first visit to Va. Delta and we enjoyed having him with us very much.

Brother Tucker of Norfolk, and one of our best men of last year has also been with us this Spring recuperating from an operation. Brother Smythe, of Charleston, S. C., was with us at the same time. He will be with us again next year to complete his B. A. course.

We are glad to hear of the announcement of the engagement of Brother W. C. Benet, of Columbia, S. C., to Miss Haskell of that city.

W. P. HERBERT.

PROVINCE VII.

OHIO ALPHA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE.

We are aware that it is not always becoming to speak about one's successors, but this, the closing portion of the college year, tempts us to indulge in the unbeginning. We do not boast of our achievements in any individual capacity, rather do we refer to them as the merited reward of concerted action by the individuals. Personal honors have often been cast aside when the welfare of the fraternity demanded it, and therefore we are persuaded that the truth of the necessity of sacrifice for the common good has been lastingly impressed on every Alpha Tau.

Our chapter has been especially prominent in athletics the past year. Besides having a member on the board of athletic control; we have held the captaincy of the football, baseball, and track teams. Captain Reader led the football team to victory last Fall, and Captain Shultz is going in the same direction with the baseball team.

But our honors are not wholly athletic. The college annual is being edited and managed by two of our men—Ruth and Wallace—and likewise we have been honored the past year with the business managership of the college publication. Again our man McCormick spoke for the college at the State oratorical banquet, and it was Alpha Taus' men who won the college debate.

We are pleased when we recall these successes of the year, we will never forget them. But there is one fact the year's end forces upon us that we are inclined to view with regret. We are losing four of our best men this year by graduation, Rhodes, Wallace, Ruth, and McCormick. These men have

been strong in all the fraternity activities. Their absence will be felt. From what is perhaps a selfish point of view we regret they are leaving us, but in the light of past experiences we feel assured we are sending forth men who will compete and win in the various activities of life in a manner highly creditable to Alpha Tau. Their influence has been for good in our chapter, and what commendation is better suited to the worthy but modest man?

FRANK W. SMITH.

OHIO ALPHA PSI—WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

We have two of the star performers on the baseball team this year. Brother Baskerville, who is easily the star of the team is playing shortstop, while Brother Snyder is a close second, who is doing slab duty.

Brother Freas will deliver "The Last Will and Testament" of his class this year.

We are preparing for a farewell reception to be given soon in honor of our two seniors this year, Brother O. F. Weaver who will graduate at the Seminary, and Brother Raymond Freas who finishes at the college.

Wittenberg is looking forward with anxious eyes, to the new \$60,000 Carnegie Science Hall, which will be erected shortly. They will lay the corner stone during commencement week.

We are on the lookout for some good men for initiation this Spring, but they are as scarce as "hen's teeth" around here, but we have a few good ones on the string.

We are arranging to build an up-to-date tennis court in our yard this Spring, to furnish amusement for the boys as well as the girls.

C. DALE CHRISTIE.

OHIO BETA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The congeniality and good fellowship which have always characterized our chapter's history, have been very much in evidence during the past quarter. We were well represented at the conclave in Springfield and the brothers who attended enjoyed meeting the other brothers of this province very greatly.

Since our last letter we have initiated two men, and we take pleasure in introducing as brothers, Lieutenant Clarence M. Condon, of the United States Cavalry, and Mr. J. F. Potts, of Tiptecanoe City, Ohio. Lieutenant Condon is the commandant of the Military Department of the University. Brother Potts together with Brother Cleland represent our chapter on the 'Varsity baseball team.

This June, Beta Eta loses by graduation, Brothers Jones, Alden, and McClure. We will feel their loss keenly, but notwithstanding, our prospects for next year are very fine.

We have received visits during the term from some of the Beta Omega and Alpha Nu brothers. Our doors are always open to Alpha Taus from whatever chapter they may come.

GEO. R. KINGHAM.

OHIO BETA MU—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

As the school year draws to a close Beta Mu finds herself in the most prosperous condition, having men in every department of college activities.

On the diamond we are exceedingly strong with Brother Lloyd in the box, Brother Moore at second, Brother Compton in middle field, and Brother Steele in left with Brother Bunn giving him a hard chase for the position. Brother Didcoct was elected baseball manager at the last meeting of the Athletic Committee.

On the track we have Brothers Weldrum, Bickenbach, Wallace and Hatfield a pledge. This quartet of A. T. O's won the majority of points at the Inter-Class meet.

Not only are we well represented on the athletic field, but we also are able to hold our own in literary lines. Brother Townsend not only won the University oratorical contest, but he also won the State contest at Denison, over representatives from several Ohio colleges and by so doing was sent to represent the State in the Inter-State oratorical contest at Topeka, Kan. Brother Cowles, another one of our literary men is representing us on the "*Index*," which is published annually by the Junior class.

Socially we have not been idle. On March 21, in our chapter hall we gave a formal party in the shape of a "progressive dinner." Ten courses were served. We are now planning for our annual drive and also for our Senior farewell at "Uncle Geo. Schwartz's," to which all Alpha Taus are cordially invited.

The work of building a \$35,000 addition to the University library is well under way. They also expect to have a new girls' dormitory before school opens next Fall.

We are already looking forward to next year's work. We now number eighteen, and as our loss by graduation is not very great we have good prospects for next year, for we already have two men pledged.

ARTHUR E. DIXON.

OHIO BETA OMEGA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Brother Ogan is now associated with his brother in the practice of law at Columbus Grove, Ohio.

The fraternities and literary societies held a carnival at the armory on April 21-22 for the benefit of the Athletic Association. The attractions were numerous and wonderful. It was a big success.

By the time the June PALM is issued we shall have initiated William W. Knapp, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Knapp is assistant physical director at the University.

Eight of the fraternities have organized a baseball league; we have thus far played two games. We defeated the Sigma Nus. We won't tell how the game with the Phi Psis came out.

Brother Bryan left the last of April for Los Angeles, Cal., having accepted a lucrative position with a Terra Cotta Company at that place.

The brothers have contributed quite a snug sum for the purpose of refurnishing the chapter house. We expect to have a new house by next September.

Brothers from Wooster, Delaware and Wittenberg have favored us with visits during the past months.

The chapter will lose by graduation this year Brothers Elder, Gault and Oblinger.

J. TOM HOFFMAN.

OHIO GAMMA KAPPA—WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY.

As the end of the year approaches, the Seniors are becoming the center of attention. Their outlook for next year is the absorbing care of these gentlemen. One law graduate says he is going to earn five hundred dollars during the next year. Passing this wild dream without further comment, yet another is to be a college professor. Another of the lawyers is to be a senator within two years. The remainder of the Seniors are debating whether or not they shall all accept election to Phi Beta Kappa. The Juniors are brushing up their dress suits for the Junior Prom. The Sophomores are getting in their last licks at the Freshmen. And the Freshmen are doing their best to make their money last till they get home again.

The things that this chapter set out to accomplish this year have not all been attained. We have striven, however, and have attained partial success in all and complete success in a few things. We have progressed, and can do better still in the years to come.

J. H. DELLINGER.

PROVINCE VIII.

TENN. ALPHA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN PRES. UNIVERSITY.

We have made many improvements in our hall; had it papered and painted in blue and gold; new lace curtains hang on the windows; members of the chapter have contributed liberally in the way of pennants and other decorations, and as pretty a chandelier as eye could wish for, hangs in the center of the room. We are much pleased with ourselves,—we are not vain however.

We regret to note that Brother Pollard was called home in March to the bedside of his sister, Miss Nannie Pollard. She was a student at Judson Institute and while there became ill with typhoid fever, from which she did not recover. She was a young lady of unusual talent and excellent Christian character, beloved by all who knew her. The chapter was greatly distressed at the loss sustained by our brother. The chapter had occasion also to sympathize with Brother Askeld in the loss of his grandmother.

A. T. O. has not lagged behind in honors, Brother J. D. Allen has been appointed one of the faculty orators for commencement. Brother Guthrie won first place in the oratorical contest for the Inter-Society contest in June. We are represented on the *Journal* staff by Brothers Power and Lang. Brother Lang was also elected to the annual staff but found it necessary to resign on account of other duties. Brother Crosby is manager of the second baseball team and is acquitting himself with great credit. We have reason to boast of our boys on the 'Varsity nine. Brothers Lemon and Frank Allen are both pitchers and excellent ones. Our best catcher is Brother Pollard. Brother Will Allen holds down second and Brother J. D. Allen keeps third base safe, while right field is creditably represented by Brother Anderson. They are all fine players and hold the most important places.

Perhaps the most important festive occasion for our chapter each year is our picnic. For this "blowout" we are already preparing. Last year we went several miles out in the country where "jest and youthful jollity" lasted till the glow of the evening sun beckoned us homeward. The place for this year's picnic has not yet been selected but sufficient to say that with "youth on the prow, and pleasure at the helm," wherever we go we will have a happy time.

A number of the alumni of the chapter have frequently visited us this year, and we expect some others to roll in commencement. Our rooms will be open for them and a hearty welcome awaits them.

The brothers who will graduate this year are Brother J. D. Allen, in Academic, and Brothers Power and Lang in the Divinity School. We regret very much to see them go for they are all leading men in University life in all its phases. Brother Lemon, who will probably not return has been very prominent in athletics and in other departments. The old boys will certainly miss "Bob" if he does not return.

GEORGE LANG.

TENNESSEE BETA PI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Beta Pi loses some of her most loyal sons, and we, some of our dearest brothers by graduation this year.

Brothers Lee, Simmons, Nolan, Travis, Billington and Trout receive their M. D., and if I do say it myself they are as thorough and brilliant a set of young doctors as ever cured a broken heart. Brother A. W. Neal also takes his degree this year.

Brother Travis is captain of the 'Varsity baseball team. Brother Inglis is one of the best pitchers on the staff.

Brother Jones is assistant manager of the track team this year.

Brother Travis is Editor-in-Chief of the *Comet*, which is the yearly publication, gotten out by the fraternities, at Vanderbilt.

And so taking it all the way around, we got about all that was coming to us. We started in at the beginning of the year with a membership of about 18.

Brother Carson, of Florida, bid fair to win honors until his health gave way. We trust he will be with us next year.

Brother Sam Coston who accepted a position with the Vanderbilt Training School, of Elkton, Ky., last year will be in college again this Fall.

R. F. JERMAN.

TENN. BETA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY.

The school year is fast drawing to a close and we are anxiously looking toward vacation. The strenuous days of fraternity life are past and there only remain the more peaceful, the more enjoyable days that will end with the best rides and moonlight strolls of commencement week.

This has been the greatest year in the history of Beta Tau chapter. It has gained in the space of twelve short Summers and now enjoys a reputation to be proud of. As students we have always held first rank; in athletics we are constantly pushing to the front; and socially we are a little better than the best which is more than we could say before this year.

The Inter-Collegiate oratorical contest is past, and although Brother Reed who represented the S. W. B. U., did not win, yet we are proud of him, and the effort he made did credit to our fraternity.

Since the last issue of the PALM, we have initiated two men, Brothers McGuhu and Roone, both of whom are making fine congenial A. T. O's. Brother Boone, the last initiate, is manager and one of the best players on the baseball team.

In a few more weeks Beta Tau loses, by graduation, four of her most devoted members. Brother Wagster, is now spending his last weeks of college life and we sincerely believe is thinking of getting married sometime. Brother Reed, the most promising young minister in college, graduates also but is thinking of coming back next year and taking an A. M.

Brother Stumph is going to Louisiana to take charge of a church as soon as he gets a diploma, and a wife to go with him. Our other Senior, Brother Brooks goes to Vanderbilt Law School next year and will be connected with Beta Pi there. The rest of us will continue to trouble the faculty here.

ALMUS PROCTOR.

TENNESSEE OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

We are very glad to affiliate Brother Alexander of Florida Alpha Omega. We have lost two men this year, Brothers Vanghan and Lebby. We now number twenty-one men.

Brother Manning was one of the debaters against Vanderbilt. Brother Penick, E. A., was elected by the chapter as our representative on the editorial staff of the *Cap and Gown*, our college annual. Brother Silas McBee is president of the Pi Omega Literary Society and Brother Penick, E. A., is the secretary and treasurer. Brother Penick, C., is the business manager of the literary magazine.

Brothers Sparkman and Penick, C., are on the 1906 baseball team. Brother Lummis is the business manager.

Brother S. M. Beattie is the all around Gym. champion. Brother Penick, E. A., was elected the vice-president of his class.

Brother Brooks is again with us after his Winter's work. Brothers Lummis and Shaffer have returned from Europe and are astounding the initiated with their foreign mannerisms and their Parisian affectations.

Brother Lummis will be the leader of the commencement hop.

CHARLES PUCKETTE.

TENNESSEE PI—UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.

Since our last letter very few important events have happened. We have been very unfortunate in losing three more of our best men, among who were Brothers Jefferson Messick, Dale R. Mayo, and Charles A. Mobley.

Brother Messick was appointed 3rd sergeant of Company C, and was also a member of the 'Varsity German Club, the Engineering Society, and the Episcopal Club.

We feel sure that Brother Mobley would have won honors on our annual field day, as he had already a record before him. As to Brother Mayo, he held an important office in the Baker-Himeal Club and was a member of both the 'Varsity and University German Clubs.

Brothers Gunther, Shea, and Peoples also belong to the 'Varsity German Club. Brother Shea being secretary and treasurer.

Brothers Shea and Peoples also represent us in the University German Club.

Among the greatest honors we may boast of is the announcement that Brother Warren H. Converse has attained the average required for his membership to Phi Kappa Phi. Besides this he is President of the Chattanooga Club, Secretary and Treasurer of Engineering Society, and a member of the "Magna Cum Laude" list. Brother Shea belongs to Theta Lambda Phi, and also to Chi Delta.

The chapter has been smaller this term and on this account we are not as active as we hope to be next Fall when we think there are possibilities of us having a chapter house.

R. H. PEOPLES.

THE GREEK WORLD.

HELLENIC AND COLLEGIATE.

HENDREE P. SIMPSON.

D. K. E. held its Fifty-Ninth Annual Convention on Nov. 8-10, in New York, and there seemed to be about 270 in attendance.



Phi Kappa Psi met in its "Grand Arch Council" at Washington, April 18-20, and of three petitions for charters, Case School of Science, George Washington University, and one other institution, not one was successful.



Phi Sigma Kappa entered Brown University on Feb. 10th.



The following makes interesting reading coming from a Kappa Alpha correspondent at the Missouri School of Mines:

Brother Baueris, of Chicago, makes one more northerner in our chapter, a majority of which, by the way, is made up of northern men. As a result, we are of course "rank" northern extensionists, and why shouldn't we be? We know the North and we know K. A., and from this knowledge we believe that each would be benefited by the other.

The Sigma Nu Delta has eleven hundred alumni subscribers, and claims that in this respect it surpasses every other college fraternity magazine. Three hundred behind "The Shield:"—*Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*.

President King, of Oberlin College, Ohio, is doing all in his power to have fraternities sanctioned by the trustees. The outlook is so encouraging that Phi Delta Theta is said to have a secret organization ready to enter "on the ground floor." Oberlin is the very best of Ohio colleges.—*Sigma Nu Delta*.

According to the March *S. A. E. Record* it seems that the fraternity will meet this December in Atlanta, instead of in Birmingham, the place selected by their 1904 convention. This leaves A. T. O. a clear field in what might have proven too small a city for a couple of large gatherings.

Though the University of Tennessee has long been regarded as a state institution and has been under the control of the legislature, never until the present year has it received an appropriation from the state, but it has been supported by Federal grants. The last legislature, however, saw fit to make an annual appropriation which we hope will be regularly increased. The amount received this year suffices to build a large addition to the now crowded Engineering Hall. This will be ready by the next school year.—*Kappa Sigma Cadullus*.

The college life at Harvard University is becoming more and more inclined toward Greek-letter fraternities in the national sense. The latest to enter there is Kappa Sigma, which installed, in June, a chapter consisting of twenty initiates and six affiliates.—*Sigma Nu Delta*.



A chapter of Theta Nu Epsilon began life at North Carolina A. and M. College, in March, with numbers from Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Cornell still stands at the front as the supremely Greek letter University being the home of twenty-two chapters. Michigan and California contest second place with nineteen apiece. Columbia, Lehigh and Pennsylvania are similarly tied with eighteen chapters each. Minnesota has seventeen, and Wisconsin, Stanford and Chicago have fifteen each.—*Beta Theta Pi*.

The Anti-Frat. feeling which has slumbered for a long time at Stevens has during the last two years come to the front, and is now the biggest problem here. The so-called "neutrals" combined this Fall and carried all the Senior and Junior class offices. This movement did not catch the Frat. men asleep, they organized to meet it, but were outnumbered. The "neutrals" becoming confident immediately attacked the time-honored custom of having the fraternities publish the "Link," the annual. Naturally the Frat. men refused to surrender the privilege, and now Stevens will have two annuals. The result is that the line between Frat. and Non-Frat. is pretty sharply drawn, and the fraternities for once are united. What the final outcome will be is hard to say.—*Stevens Inst. of Tech. correspondence in Sigma Nu Delta*.

The situation at Arkansas University is summed up by the Sigma Nu correspondent there as follows, and the fraternity folks seem to need sympathy; those at Stevens Institute of Technology, mentioned above, ought indeed to have a fellow feeling for them.

Several weeks ago a Pan-Hellenic Association was organized among all the fraternities here. (There are six fraternities and two societies that are represented here.) The fight made against us by the "barbs" necessitates the Greeks uniting for our own protection. This year the "barbs" carried all the class elections. A strong fight was made for the officers of the Junior class, owing to the fact that this class controls the university annual. The vote was 26 to 26, with a barb in the chair; so this year the fraternities will not be represented in the annual.

The question was asked in the December PALM, commenting upon Sigma Chi's recent entrance into this University, as to how that and other fraternities reconciled their existence thus in the face of a state law constructed for the purpose of excluding them. The *Quarterly* for February, of which Mr. Miller is editor, answers this by publishing the following letter:

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK., January 3, 1906.

Mr. Newman Miller, Chicago, Ill.

DEAR BROTHER: Your letter of recent date is at hand, and in reply I will state that there is a law on the statute books prohibiting fraternities in the university. This law was introduced and passed by the General Assembly in 1901, but, on account of the ambiguous and contradictory wording of the same, it has never been forced. I have attempted to secure for you a copy of the law, but have been unable to do so. Nevertheless, I am able to give you the words which cause the ambiguity, and the construction placed upon them by the faculty and the board of trustees:

On the statutes the law appears as "An Act to Prohibit Greek-letter societies in the University of Arkansas," and goes on to say that "Greek-letter societies in the University of Arkansas are hereby prohibited," but farther down in the same paragraph is this clause: "No student who is a member of a Greek-letter society or similar secret organization shall be given a degree or other honors, etc. (This is not the exact wording of the law, but conveys the ideas.)

The construction of the faculty upon this law is: "The law itself is ambiguous and conflicting, and can not be enforced. In one clause occurs the statement that there shall be no fraternities in the university, and in another clause is the statement that no fraternity man shall receive any honors. Now, there could be no fraternity men if there were no fraternities.

Therefore the law contradicts itself, and we are unable to enforce it. Furthermore, we do not believe we have the right to refuse to grant to any student his degree, after he has complied with all the rules and regulations governing the same."

This is, in substance, the interpretation which the faculty has given to the law, and the board of trustees has affirmed the decision of the faculty. The side of the opposition could, of course, take an appeal to the supreme court, but, thinking it useless, or for some other reason, they have not done so. As the law stands to-day, it is a "dead letter" and does not affect the fraternities one way or the other, except in that no fraternity man can be appointed to an office in the cadet army higher than lieutenant. As there are no offices in the cadet army, except the captaincy, higher than a lieutenant, the law has not affected the fraternity men, but, on the other hand, it has virtually killed the military department. Realizing the inefficiency of the law of 1901, the side of the opposition introduced another anti-fraternity bill in the assembly of 1903, but this, having failed to pass, was introduced in the assembly of 1905. The measure passed the house, but failed to pass the senate; at least it was never brought to a vote.

Yours fraternally,

L. L. CAMPBELL, *Tribune.*



The faculty at Purdue University refuses to agree to the entrance of any additional fraternities. Phi Kappa Sigma entered last Summer, receiving no official recognition, and as one correspondent describes it, "no alarm is felt by their presence." The lessons of the old "Purdue case" are evidently not yet forgotten by the daring ones.



A Sigma Nu Delta correspondent says that it is reported that Phi Delta Theta, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi and Delta Tau Delta are being petitioned for charters by locals at Iowa State College. There are only two national bodies there at present, Sigma Nu and S. A. E.



Pan-Hellenic Councils have been lately formed at Central University (Kentucky), and the University of Arkansas.

Some weeks ago President James met the members of all the fraternities at Illinois. He spoke of the good that fraternities are doing, but he

said he thought that they could do more. In order to promote a fuller understanding and better feeling between fraternities and faculty, and between fraternities and "barbs" he suggested that a national gathering of fraternity men be held here next year. His plan is to have a delegate come from each chapter of each national organization. Nothing definite has been done as yet, but it is certain that such a meeting ought to result in much good for all concerned.—*Kappa Sigma Caduceus*.



All secret societies or Greek-letter fraternities at the Packer Collegiate Institute in Brooklyn, N. Y., will be dissolved at the close of the present school year. This action was determined upon by the students on the recommendation of the board of trustees. Thus another good institution goes to the bad.—*S. A. E. Record*.

If this Institution is the same as the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, according to Baird there are only two Frats. there, and it is largely a preparatory school with a collegiate department added; the proportion of students is about 600 "preps" to 150 collegiates.



The old hostility which has so long existed here among the various fraternities is practically dead and only comes to life during the friendly competition of "rushing" new men. A better feeling of friendship now exists among the different chapters than ever before. College politics are no longer run by "cliques." The best qualified and most deserving men are now selected to fill offices regardless of caste and because of this condition of affairs, college spirit and general brotherhood have been greatly increased.—*Adelbert College Correspondent in Delta Tau Delta Rainbow*.

The president of Ohio Northern "University" is waging war on fraternities at his institution. Any fraternity that would enter Ohio Northern nowadays deserves all it gets.—*Kappa Sigma Caduceus*.

For the first time in the fraternity's history more than a third of our living chapters are located in the West. The advent of Illinois is not more the occasion for congratulation than for reflection. It is at once the seal and confirmation of the fact that Delta Upsilon has ceased to be sectional.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

Congratulations are in order to our friends, and here's a hand to you! Our timidly proffered advice in the past will do some good yet.

Illinois University has thirteen national fraternities and five sororitus. Local fraternities number four and two of these are said to be petitioning Alpha Delta Phi and Psi Upsilon.

The organization of a Pan-Hellenic literary society brought out a long-standing hatred of fraternities on the part of the Faculty, and it has also intensified the feeling between barbarians and Greeks. This is unfortunate, and the fraternities are doing all in their power to make the feeling better. Prof. Woolbert, of Beta Pi, is doing what he can for us on the Faculty. Although the Faculty admit that fraternities are here to stay, they remain hostile to us, and we are striving to secure their good-will.—*Albion College correspondent in Delta Tau Delta Rainbow.*

There is a time-honored custom at Hampden-Sidney which the students have come to look upon as an essential and most attractive part of the college course. This custom is allowing the Seniors to finish their final examinations three weeks ahead of the other classmen, thus giving them three weeks of holiday, known as Senior vacation, between the hard tussle over examinations and the final celebrations and awarding of diplomas. The trustees have recently abolished this custom, and both students and alumni are loud in their protests.—*Exchange.*

The same custom prevailed also at the University of Alabama for many years, but whether or not it still does the writer is not informed.



From the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* :

Acacia, a "Masonic fraternity" was chronicled recently. Here are two more out of the ordinary :

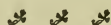
The first National Greek-letter college fraternity to be founded by colored students was organized January 3, 1906, at the Ohio State University with eleven members. It is called Pi Gamma Omicron. Charters will be granted to these colleges: Chicago, Indiana, Denison, Fiske, Tennessee, Hampton, Wilberforce and Virginia.

Sigma Delta Sigma, a newly formed fraternity in the University of Wisconsin is trying the experiment of running on the "co-ed" basis—if the term may be borrowed without too great violence to English—taking both men and women students into membership.

The Virginia legislature this past term increased the annual allowance to the university from the State by \$25,000 and made a special appropriation of \$85,000 for repairs and improvements.

A new local has begun life at Tulane University — Alpha Delta Xi, by name — and it is said that it aspires to branch out by establishing other chapters. Is this another southern Frat. ?

At the present session of the State legislature, probably more so than ever before, the three institutions supported by State aid, Ohio State, Miami and Ohio University, have clashed in their respective interests and some strenuous lobbying has been the result. It has been a combination against Ohio State and though some reverses have been met with, President Thompson is optimistic in his belief that the State will discharge its full duty, financially, towards its largest and leading university. Some good results are bound to arise from the contention, and of these is a bill now being favorably received which provides for the appointment of a commission of educators to investigate the situation of higher education in Ohio and make recommendations to the legislature two years hence. This, it is thought will remove the possibility of the three institutions entering into such contentions as the one now in progress, and bring order and wisdom to the present chaotic and senseless situation of three state universities, which no other state in the union besides Ohio seems able to afford. One bright development in the present state of affairs has been the unexpected action of the house in voting \$60,000 to Ohio State for a woman's dormitory. This has been an urgent need of the university and it is hoped that the bill will become a law in the near future. Another large appropriation is expected for the erection of a new mechanical and electrical building.—*Phi Kappa Psi Shield correspondence.*



At West Virginia University the fellows seem to be well fixed, says the *Kappa Alpha Journal* :

The Sigma Chi fraternity has recently moved into an elegant chapter house, situated on the hill close to the campus. Phi Kappa Sigma has begun work on its house and hopes to complete it by September. The other fraternities having houses here are Delta Tau Delta and Phi Kappa Psi. Those renting houses are Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Kappa Alpha, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Nu and Kappa Alpha.



EDITORIAL.



THE CLASS OF 1906.

THE present month witnesses the departure, from the active Chapters of the Fraternity, of a large percentage of their members who have concluded the prescribed work of their several respective courses. These brothers are passing not only from the dormitory and the class-room to the real and earnest avenues of life, but, moreover, they are passing from the seats of activity within the Fraternity to the positions of honor, comparative ease, but, withal, greater usefulness. To these brethren, standing on the threshold dividing active and alumni realms, we feel that we have a special message.

HAVING enjoyed the benign privileges of Alpha Tau Omega for various periods of time, it is only natural to suppose that her ideals, her principles and her objects will never be entirely lost or altogether forgotten. But remembrance alone is hardly the measure of devotion which the Fraternity demands or expects of its alumni members. In addition to the pleasant recollections which membership in Alpha Tau Omega enshrines in the graduate's heart, it confers upon him the privilege of sharing in the deliberations of the Fraternity forever and enjoying its advantages to an extent which can only be appreciated by those who avail themselves of it. If every man on leaving college will resolve to regard his Fraternity in the same old undergraduate way and give to it the same measure of love and service, and then make good that resolution, we would soon generate a force that would tell its lesson in great and noble things done and achieved as

a Fraternity. Sincerely, do we hope that the Class of 1906, and all those who prematurely depart from our portals at this time, will not only remember the days spent in our active Chapters but will also join those who are now laboring to make Alpha Tau Omega greater, truer and more useful.



THE NEW CHAPTERS.

SINCE our last issue two new Chapters have been added to our list making our total number of active Chapters fifty-five. The first of these is located at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is a revival of the Chapter installed at that institution in 1885, the charter of which was withdrawn a year later. The second is an entirely new Chapter and is located in a State never before invaded by Alpha Tau Omega. In the name of the Fraternity the PALM extends a most hearty welcome to our new members and trusts that we shall not be disappointed in the results which are confidently expected by reason of the excellent hands to which the charters are confided.

The PALM regards these additions as being particularly auspicious. An active Chapter at Boston, the home of so many loyal alumni, who have long desired some object upon which they might concentrate their attentions, is certainly gratifying, and its location at the foremost technical institution of the country makes it a most excellent and promising field for growth and achievement.

That Missouri is a splendid addition and that the Chapters have done well in sanctioning her admission can not be gainsaid by the most rabid critic of our policies. The University has steadily grown in numbers, finances and usefulness until to-day an observant public has unreservedly and without hesitation accorded her a place among the great institutions of learning of this country. The charter has been granted to able men and the Fraternity is amply justified in the expectation of great things from Missouri Gamma Rho.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

ERE this issue is a month out, the active Chapters of the Fraternity will have dissolved and the members thereof scattered, literally, to the four corners of the world. Dissolution of Chapter unity occurs in the midst or at the end of an exciting and engrossing examination and commencement season, with the inevitable result that there is a tendency to overlook matters of grave importance to the Fraternity in the hurry of getting away and home. The unfinished business of the year, the unliquidated personal obligations, the numerous unperformed duties, are invariably placed upon the deferred calendar and taken up—sometimes—at the beginning of the next term. From this spirit of procrastination results a consequent looseness of business and the gradual involving of Chapter affairs. We plead for a change.

At most colleges there is an unwritten law that no man should depart without having settled all claims against him. We would apply the spirit of this rule to Fraternity affairs. No Chapter should close its doors unless every obligation of whatever nature it may be has been fully and satisfactorily met. We speak not so much of financial obligations, for most of our Chapters are conducted on a cash basis, but of the obligations which are imposed by the legal enactments of the Fraternity, together with those dictated by custom and prudence. Before dissolution, the Chapter should be satisfied that all initiates are properly reported, that their fees have been remitted to the proper officer, that the requisite reports have been prepared and transmitted, that the annals are complete for the term just ended, that the PALM dues of those who are about to leave have been paid, that—well, to enumerate all is to reflect too much upon undergraduate intelligence. These, and others, are matters which should not be allowed to be neglected or delayed.

Then, too, Chapters disband without giving thought of the Summer. The members leave and the Chapters truly becomes to all intents and purposes, an “invisible and intangible person, existing only in contemplation of the law.” The average Chapter, during the Summer months, does not

have even a responsible endorser—someone who will respond to the calls made upon the Chapter, someone who will attend to its affairs *ad interim*, someone with whom the grand officers or the editor of the PALM can communicate. No Chapter should disband without authorizing someone to care for its ordinary matters during the vacation.



ANOTHER KNOCK!

IN a circular letter to the Chapter Correspondents, we requested of them a list of the names and permanent addresses of all men who graduate or leave college this June in order that we might send them copies of the PALM during the remainder of the year 1906 to which they are entitled by virtue of having paid their subscriptions to the Chapter Exchequer for that year. About one-half responded. The result of this, plainly stated, is that certain men will be deprived of one-half of their subscription by the unexcusable negligence of their brethren in Alpha Tau Omega. This is not a very pleasant way of putting it, but we are not given to condoning official laxity by glittering editorial generalities.



CHAPTER LETTERS.

EVERY Chapter is represented by a letter in this issue, which is the third consecutive time this was accomplished. The Correspondents are entitled to great credit for achievement, although the editor was compelled to write as many as three letters for some of them.



THE NEXT CONGRESS.

ALTHOUGH the time for our bi-ennial convocation is still several months distant, it is pleasant to know that our hosts have been so diligent in arranging for our coming. The very brief report printed elsewhere proves that our Birmingham brethren were not idle and that we may expect a genuine Alpha Tau welcome in their city in December.

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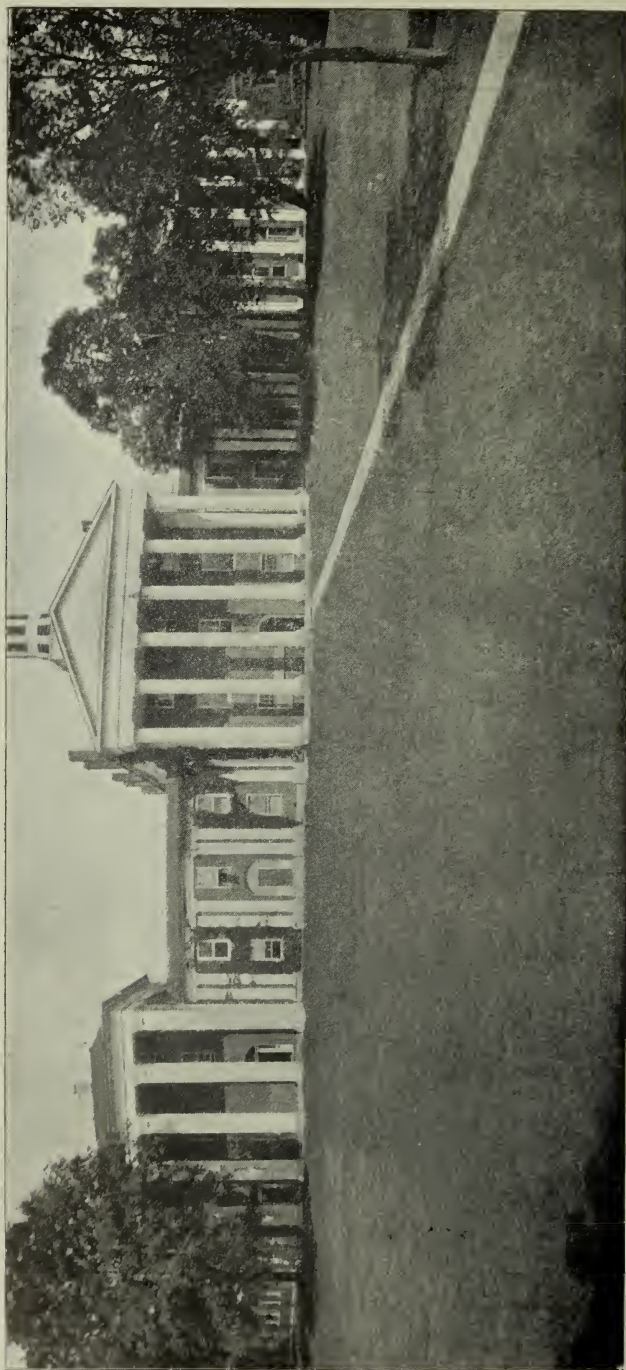
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THE NON-FRAT MAN.

WE who are Greeks hear a great deal about the benefits and the joys of fraternity life. We talk about it in our college days, and when we become "old grads," we look back on the fraternity relations as the best part of college experiences. If the conditions have been right, there is scarcely any better or stronger influence brought to bear on the life of a student than through the fraternity. Almost every man who has been out of college for a period of years will say the same thing.

But how about the men who are out of it all? Only a small proportion of the students are in fraternities, as a rule. In some colleges eighty per cent., or even more are "non-frat" men. In most institutions the numbers are more evenly divided, but there is always a large proportion of "barbs." These represent all varieties of opinions regarding fraternities. Many of them are decidedly opposed to the whole fraternity system; many others are indifferent; still others make no secret of the fact that they covet membership; and a still larger proportion give no outward sign of their real feeling.

The thoughtful fraternity man will realize that the best conditions do not usually exist between the students inside and outside the fraternities. There are reasons for this. Sometimes the fault can be laid at the feet of one or the other of the two classes. Usually both are more or less to blame; but always it is distinctly unfortunate that feelings of enmity or bitterness are permitted to rise up among students of a single institution.

I should like to make a plain appeal to fraternity men in behalf of the so-called "barbs." There is no doubt that many of the ills they suffer have been brought upon themselves; but we have been to blame also. If the relations among us are to be bettered, the initiative can best come from us.

In the first place, every really loyal fraternity man ought to protest against the half-scornful way in which the "barbs" are oftentimes treated. I am convinced that only a small proportion of fraternity members are guilty of this; but in every college there will be found some who become so inflated by the fact of their fraternity membership, that they made themselves intolerable to the other students. They embrace every opportunity to emphasize the fact that they are *frat* men, and that somebody else is a *barb*. Their attitude is such as to put something of a stigma on the non-fraternity man. The natural assumption is that there is an element of disgrace in being out of a fraternity. It is a humiliation against which he has no defense.

Of course, this is not the attitude of most fraternity men, but most chapters are apt to have one or two such. So far as my knowledge of Alpha Taus goes, I think they are particularly free from members of this type. We wonder if it may not be because of what they are repeatedly taught about the nature of "our dealings with aliens?" Surely it must be recognized what a cowardly and unfair attitude it is for any fraternity man to assume, be he Alpha Tau or otherwise.

There are scores of most excellent men among the "non-frats." In the larger colleges it is not possible for the fraternities to secure all the good men—they can only choose a few of the more desirable ones. But in any college, there are other men of fine character and good possibilities who have not been elected by any fraternity. Many of them are very far from "non-frat" in their sympathies and tendencies. It is probable that some were members of High School fraternities, and came to college acquainted with the system. A larger number of them are by nature well qualified to fraternize with other good men, and their hearts are hungering for the relations that are denied them. We can imagine how

some non-fraternity men must wonder what the principle of selection of members is, as they see uncongenial men occasionally invited to join and more desirable men overlooked.

It is perfectly natural for a man of broad sympathies, a warm social nature, ambitious and straightforward, to wish to be in a fraternity. Many non-fraternity men have very frankly admitted as much, and it is not to their disgrace to say that they felt keenly the fact of their being overlooked. They could not fail to realize that something of great value was being missed by them.

I am of the opinion that the fraternity man in college should make it one of his aims to go out of his way to be courteous and friendly to the so-called "barbs". He need not fear that he will be any less true to his fraternity by doing so. It is a terribly false idea of "frat spirit" that will lead one to think that common courtesy and gentlemanliness can bring one under the suspicion of disloyalty. Indeed, true loyalty to the teachings of any of the fraternities would lead one away from this of which we are speaking.

The real objects of the fraternity are not to draw a line of distinction between fraternity and non-fraternity men. It is unfortunate that such a distinction so often has been made. The fraternity is *for* the fraternity man, but it has no right to be *against* the non-fraternity man. I think the fraternity relation is one that should be kept in the background when Greek and Barbarian intermingle. It is not by emphasizing the differences between certain classes of students that the largest benefits are gained, but rather from those personal and close relations that are enjoyed in the chapter house and the weekly meeting. It ought, therefore, to be one of the first cares of a fraternity man to ignore that artificial line of division when he is with other students. If fraternity members would studiously avoid everything that tends to bring into prominence the fact that they are fraternity men, they would not lose anything, and they would be taking a giant stride toward abolishing the old-time enmity.

In fact, it is a little ridiculous sometimes for us to act as though there was some *essential* difference between ourselves

and the non-fraternity men. There are some of those very men who received all but one or two votes of your chapter, at some time, and came that near to being "brothers." The great majority of the chapter considered them worthy of being brothers. It is quite fair or logical to refuse to be friendly and cordial to them because one or two men did not deem them worthy of election?

There are occasions, of course, when the fraternity man is bound to stand openly by his fraternity. There are times when some issues are so squarely drawn that he can not escape his responsibility to the fraternity. At such times, his duty and privilege are clear; but the fraternity man ought not to create such occasions. I have heard it protested that "the barbs have organized to control politics." Sometimes they are not to blame for having organized. They had to do it in self-defense, and it is a pity that they were compelled to do so. There is no sufficient reason for a fraternity man being elected to any office just because he is a fraternity man. His membership in a fraternity is not enough in itself to qualify him for being class president, or editor of the annual, or captain of the team. If he is a good man, and worthy of the honor, he ought to receive it; but not because his fraternity happens to have enough political influence to swing it for him. If fraternity men have sometimes combined—and we suspect that they sometimes have—to elect their members to office, irrespective of their especial qualifications, they need not be surprised when the "barbs organize to control politics."

It may not fit in very well with the rest of this discussion, but I want to say anyhow, that sheer expediency would lead the fraternity men to a more considerate treatment of the "barbs." Expediency is a low motive to appeal to; yet facts are not unworthy of being noticed. I wish Alpha Taus would remember that *it pays* to give the non-fraternity man a "square deal." This is not saying that he should be treated with courtesy and kindness *because* it will pay—that would be getting down on a pretty low plain of action—but it is merely emphasizing the fact that the man who gives another

a "square deal" is never the loser for it. I know of several chapters of Alpha Taus which have been practicing this principle, without any regard to the policy of other fraternities or individuals. For a year or two they may not have received as many honors as some other fraternities; but it did not take the non-frat men long to discover that they would be treated fairly by these chapters. There were no compact between these chapters and the "barbs"—that is less defensible than the organization of fraternity men themselves! The chapters simply came to the conclusion that in political or social or athletic affairs, the fraternity as such ought not to figure. In every case, it has proved in the long run to be the very best policy the chapter could have adopted. This is not mentioned as a high motive, but merely as a very significant fact.

The fraternity has meant a great deal to us. Those of us who have been out of college some years look back and try to figure what those days would have been without the fraternity. They would have seemed barren indeed to most of us, and beyond doubt, there is an emptiness in the heart of many a non-frat man. That emptiness very quickly becomes enmity under inconsiderate treatment, and whenever a student body is divided into two great antagonistic factions, every man is a loser. Whether in a fraternity or out of it, something of the richness of college life is lost. It is for that reason, among others, that I make this appeal for the "non-frat man."

PAUL R. HICKOK.

Alpha Tau Omega was the first national fraternity to establish chapters in the following states: Arkansas, Oregon, Florida. Of these, the chapters founded in Arkansas and Oregon are extinct and the Florida chapter is a recent revival. A. T. O. was the first so-called Southern fraternity to place chapters at Brown, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Washington and Jefferson.

THE GRAIN OF THE WOOD IN FRATERNITY LIFE.

A YEAR or so ago, while passing through the corridors of one of the large hospitals of this city, my attention was attracted by the reflection of a beam of light to an old dilapidated wardrobe. It stood at one side of the hall and was used as a medicine and dressing or supply closet. I had passed through the same hallway many times previously and had given no thought to the old piece of furniture, a glance alone indicating that it was a wooden box painted brown and varnished and was of no intrinsic value or especial interest. On this day, however, the sun shone brightly and one of its rays fell upon the front of the doors and was reflected to me as I walked by. A peculiar gleam and wave at once attracted the attention and I immediately stopped to investigate. It was battered and scratched, abused and broken in places and looked worthless but a closer examination of the exterior pointed to its being mahogany and a glance at the interior which was in better stage of preservation, confirmed this suspicion and showed the article to be made of solid mahogany and to be very valuable. Negotiations were at once opened with the authorities and possession obtained for a comparatively small sum. It was then taken to a cabinet-maker and thoroughly cleaned and refinished and now constitutes one of the handsomest pieces of furniture that a home could contain. Two other similiar experiences have been mine and both have made me the owner of very valuable as well as very beautiful and useful articles which can never fail to please the eye.

While attending a meeting of a fraternity recently and listening to the discussion of candidates whose names had been proposed for membership, the thought came to me, may not some of these candidates be like the old ward-robe? They have been seen, entertained and perhaps have been investigated more or less carefully by the members but because of

the lack of a certain light or of the too implicit reliance upon first impressions, they have been passed by as not possessing the desired qualifications. One member may have seen in a certain candidate the making of a prize man, but the others, whether through carelessness or inability, could not detect the germ which would require only a little nursing to cause it to spring up and develop into the ripe and finished product which will reflect credit and honor upon the fraternity with which he may become affiliated.

Many of our best men have first presented themselves at college with an exterior that was far from inviting or prepossessing, but when the gaze has penetrated more deeply or perchance a different light has been projected upon the individual, there has been unearthed a wealth of character, ability and honor beyond all expectations. These are the qualities which go so far toward making the working fraternity-man. How many times have the opposing fraternities picked out a man possessing these equipments because you were not able to discern them? Rather, I should say, because you failed to look for them. They were present but were not sought for. Had the grain of the wood been examined, the quality would have been manifest. There was no possibility of mistaking it and no mistake would have been made in possessing it.

Sight must not be lost of the fact that counterfeits are constantly about us. Some of the cheaper and less durable woods are made to closely resemble the more valuable and lasting ones (birch oftentimes parades as mahogany). So in individuals, qualities may be assumed which do not belong to them and can not become permanent factors in their lives but which may confuse the casual observer. Discernment must be cultivated and careful investigation made of the exterior and above all of the interior finish. The grain of the wood may even be exposed by rough usage, scraping or whatsoever means may be necessary and when it is found genuine, no time should be lost in securing possession of the man.

Perchance the exterior is rough or unfinished and if so, turn yourselves into cabinet-makers and prove to the college

world that not only is your judgment and insight of the most astute and acute type (as shown in your choice of the man) but also your influence is most potent and far-reaching for good (as shown in the changes effected, making the exterior to harmonize with the interior). You will prove his solidity and that he is the treasure which you considered him to be. To me this is the acme of fraternity life and power. To choose out a man for his innate, though perhaps sometimes latent qualities, and then assist him in making them shine through and become a part of the surface adornment, whether it be mental, moral, physical or all three combined, is the true aim of Alpha Tau Omega. When, therefore, he succeeds and puts into daily practice what has been a concealed part but is now a living whole of himself, he will reflect the benefits of his influence upon our order and will diffuse widely in his world the results of your labors and bring credit and honor to his fraternity.

J. TORRANCE RUGH.

It is often asked why fraternities of southern origin have not more cabinet officers and diplomats among their alumni. The answer is easy—the older alumni of fraternities of southern origin are all Democrats. The southern generations old enough to become senators, governors and congressmen are arriving; the southern men in the financial, art, journalistic, scholastic, and literary world have arrived. Anyway, it is very well understood nowadays that a fraternity's strength is not to be judged by a half dozen U. S. senators simply because they have been out of college long enough to grow old.—*Kappa Sigma Caduceus.*



VIRGINIA BETA CHAPTER—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF VIRGINIA BETA.

IN reading of the re-establishment of Virginia Beta, you may wonder what kind of institution is Washington and Lee University, and what kind of crowd did we get. We therefore submit to our sister chapters the following summary of the steps leading up to the re-establishment of the oldest chapter in the fraternity, and a brief history of Washington and Lee University. It would be a great satisfaction to us to welcome some visiting brothers, that we may the more realize what a grand national order Alpha Tau Omega is. And then, too, we may all come to a better agreement as to how we can best carry out the obligations we have assumed.

It was about the first of January 1906 that Chi Rho, our local club, was formed, and we had according to our estimation an ideal relationship among ourselves. Our hall was popular; there was hardly an hour from week in to week out that it was not occupied by some of our members, but we kept it all secret from the other students, not even disclosing the name of our local order.

Nevertheless "Murder will out," and about a week before we received a happy answer from the High Council the fraternities here were called into a Pan-Hellenic meet. They had received information of our application to the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity for a charter, and it was the intention of some to crush our hope on the ground that there were enough fraternities represented at Washington and Lee already. Thereupon we disclosed ourselves, and used what powers we had at our command to sink or swim together. Bros. Tutwiler and Iden appeared at this meet, and the latter presented our plea and set forth our position in a short speech. The result was overwhelmingly in our favor.

The time had been strenuous but the reward was worth it. Soon afterwards Bro. S. G. Hamner, Provincial Chief, informed us over the long distance telephone of the decision

of the High Council. That was a night of delirium. The big Spring elections among the students were taking place the same night but we forgot them, as well as our classes for the next few days. We spent our spare time together discussing our prospects, and repeating little instances that had occurred in the life of Chi Rho. We talked of the scare the Pan-Hellenic had given us, and laughed heartily at our past fears. But now I am sure all of us would be willing to go through many times as much for Alpha Tau Omega.

The night of installment was put for June the first. This was a time immediately preceding examinations. It mattered not to us, although we did wish to have visitors from neighboring chapters, but they were deep in their final tests and could not come. Bro. S. G. Hamner, attorney-at-law of Lynchburg, Va., Bro. W. W. Dunlap, merchant of Lexington, Va., and Bro. H. D. Campbell, Professor at Washington and Lee University, all alumni of Virginia Beta, performed the ceremonies.

The initiates were as follows:

EUGENE RUSSELL COVER,	.	.	.	.	Elkton, Va.
Student Academic Class '08.					
THOMAS DANIEL HILL,	.	.	.	.	Aubrey, Tex.
Academic Class '09.					
EDWING SLOAN HUMPHREYS,	.	.	.	.	Lexington, Va.
Engineering Class '09.					
VIRGINIUS GILMORE IDEN,	.	.	.	.	Manassas, Va.
Academic Class '07. Member "Collegian" Editorial Board					
'05-'06.					
NORMAN FURGESON JOHNSON,	.	.	.	.	Charlestown, W. Va.
Academic Class '07. Member Baseball Team '05-'06.					
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN KAGAY,	.	.	.	.	Efingham, Ill.
Law Class '07.					
WILLIAM STANHOPE TUTWILER,	.	.	.	.	Savannah, Ga.
Engineering Class '09.					

Later initiates:

HOWARD DORSET PORTER,	.	.	.	.	Staunton, Va.
Engineering Class '08. Member Baseball Team '05-'06. Member of University Guitar and Mandolin Club '05-'06.					
ROBERT MASON CURTIS,	.	.	.	.	Warrenton, Va.
Engineering Class '09.					

Most of the furniture of the old chapter was restored to us and along with it came the written records from the year 1865. All this we read and re-read, admiring the zeal and bravery of our former members. Then, too, there were many pictures, photographs of old members, and one that looks as if it might be a picture of the first congress that assembled in Lexington, Va., on July 5th, 1870. Tucked away in one corner was an oil painting, which proved to be the original painting of our coat-of-arms, done by Bro. R. N. Brooke and presented to the second congress in July, 1872. This we cherish as one of our most priceless possessions, and it occupies a conspicuous place on the walls of our chapter-hall.

Virginia Beta is the oldest chapter of our fraternity now in existence, being founded in 1865 shortly after the birth of the fraternity at the Virginia Military Institute. Looking among the names of our alumni we find men who have made a name for themselves in the world and have thereby reflected credit upon the fraternity. Such we find in Bro. Duncan Clinch Heyward, Governor of South Carolina; Clifton R. Breckenridge, ex-member of the U. S. House of Representatives, ambassador to Russia 1894-7, and member of "Dawes Commission"; George B. Anderson, ex-consul to Brazil; Theodore S. Wilkinson, ex-member of the U. S. House of Representatives. And holding offices of trust in the fraternity we find the two Provincial Chiefs, Bro. J. S. Slicer of Province I, and Bro. S. G. Hamner of Province VI.

What a past we have had! The future remains a mystery. We have the brightest of prospects, but can we in any way realize the standard set before us. Our eyes are now opened to what may be accomplished and the mantle is to fall upon our shoulders. Youth is overwhelmed with the task but we will try. Great men have worked for our chapter in the past; would that we only had them with us now. Yet they have left us the benefit of their experience, and we should be comforted with the knowledge of their present success.

WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

WASHINGTON and Lee University is one of those old institutions, replete with historical associations and youthful aspirations. Situated in the beautiful valley of Virginia, it commands one of the most picturesque views. Mountains to the right, mountains to the left, mountains all round, while at its feet North River languidly winds its way to the great ocean. The town of Lexington contains some of the most aristocratic families of the South, and a few leagues without the conditions offer ample opportunity to the student of Sociology.

Four times has the institution changed its name since its first incorporation in 1782. It was the good old Scotch-Irish who first founded Augusta Academy. Its abode was changed many times until in 1790 it became fixed in the immediate vicinity of Lexington with the title of Liberty Hall. The ruins of this old building are yet to be seen and are preserved as one of the landmarks of Washington and Lee.

About this time the school received its first gift of any considerable size. In recognition of his services in the revolution, the Virginia legislature presented George Washington a number of shares in a canal company. Washington refused to accept these for his own use, but after some delay his attention was called to Liberty Hall Academy by two representatives in Congress, General Andrew Moore and General Francis Preston. Soon afterward he presented his shares to the Academy. This property still yields an annual income of three thousand dollars to Washington and Lee University.

So grateful were the trustees for such a gift that they had the name changed to Washington Academy by an act of the legislature, January 1798. Not long afterward the school was destroyed by fire and it sank into deep financial indebtedness. But before the end of 1804 a building was constructed on the grounds of the present University, from which the ruins of the old academy are still visible.



WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY—CHAPEL AND MAUSOLEUM.

Other gifts and services were graciously bestowed, notably a fund of twenty-five thousand dollars from the Virginia branch of the Cincinnati Society. It was at last lifted out of its pressing embarrassments and enlarged in scope, legally changing its name to Washington College. A third endowment was received from John Robinson, a native of Ireland, a soldier under Washington, and during his last years a trustee of the college. This amounted to forty-six thousand dollars. Now in his memory a beautiful marble shaft stands upon the campus.

This was the standing of the institution at the outbreak of the Civil War, that struggle which nearly destroyed the South and layed waste to one of its most promising schools. But the same relentless courage that had caused the building now caused the re-establishment. They borrowed money from the trustees to replenish their empty coffers and the youth from all over the country attended, eager for knowledge and eager to attend an institution with such associations.

General Lee was formally installed as president of Washington College in October, 1865 and retained this position until his death in 1870. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook has said "General Lee's hold upon the heart and confidence of the South was so great, that soon Washington College was filled with representative Southern young men. No finer body of men ever collected than that which gathered around the peaceful standard of the incomparable Southern leader." In the rear of the college chapel which he built is a mausoleum, in which his remains are interred. Over them is a recumbent statue of him in Italian marble, chiseled by the Virginia sculptor, Valentine.

Lee was also instrumental, in founding the "School of Law and Equity of Washington College," in 1866. Judge John W. Brockenbrough was its professor in charge, which position he held until his death in 1877.

Soon after Lee's death the name of the institution was changed to its present incorporate title, "The Washington and Lee University." The same year General G. W. Custis Lee succeeded his father as president. During his many

years of faithful service the endowment of the institution was largely increased, and many signal improvements were due to his personal generosity. He resigned in 1897 and was made president emeritus.

Following came William Lyne Wilson, the famous Congressman and Postmaster General, dear to the memory of many a student. Upon his death in 1900, Dr. George H. Denny, was elected president, and it now looks as if Dr. Denny will make the institution one of the best in the country.

The campus is beautifully laid out upon a commanding ridge on the north of Lexington. The artistic dirt walks which used to wind their way out and in among the trees are now being made into granolithic foot-ways. In fact all the old antique appearances are disappearing under the hand of modern improvement. The predominating architecture is colonial. And the large white pillars make a pleasing contrast with the green foliage.

The University comprises the departments of Letters, Science, Engineering and Law, and in the past year there has been added a School of Commerce. This is not built along the narrow lines of a strictly business college, but it is designed to lay the foundation along broad lines for a business career. The Wharton School of Finance in connection with the University of Pennsylvania, will furnish perhaps the best illustration of the idea that dominated the mind and purpose of the board of trustees in establishing this department. There was an endowment of a hundred thousand dollars for this. After enough interest has been collected from the principal, a handsome building will be erected for the home of the school.

Since the erection of the main building in 1824, others have been added until now the campus looks like a little village in itself. Newcomb Hall was built in 1882, and is now used for a library and art gallery. The law building which was raised as a memorial to John Randolph Tucker, was completed in 1900. Later Mr. W. H. Reid gave a handsome hall for engineering and physics, and furnished it out in the most

complete modern style. In the same year, 1904, Lee's Dormitory graced the campus. It is doubtful if there can be found a more complete, a more comfortable dormitory in the South.

It was announced at last finals that Dr. Denny accepted the gift of fifty thousand dollars from Mr. Carnegie for the erection of a new library building. So it is more than likely that work on this building will be started early in September.

The students number about four hundred and the enrollment is increasing so fast that the trustees of the University, at their last meeting considered the question whether it was advisable to limit the number or not. They are desirous of quality, not quantity, but this policy does not satisfy Dr. Denny,—he wishes both. As it is, we draw the best men of the South and the best men of the North. The blending of the two makes college life in Lexington ideal. There is a democratic spirit over all, a man's worth is based upon his own actions and character. One man is supposed to know every one else, if he does not, it is put down to his own discredit. But the most pleasing aspect is the change that has taken place. It is as if there has been new blood added. Antiquated ideas and policies are fast disappearing from the minds of the trustees and faculty. Fresh brawn and brain is being constantly added and with it all comes a love of the present along with a worship of the past. Students are drawn from twenty-six different states and a few foreign countries. There is appearing a great social poise, a greater interest in athletics, and a respect for broadmindedness in the classroom.

More attention is paid to the general education of a man. Such is not always found in text books, but is obtained among ideal associations. Still it does not follow that the classes are easy. Any man who receives his degree certainly has won it. But when a man is active in many departments, his intellect acquires such a broadness that his duties appear of minor importance.

Finally, Washington and Lee is the home of fraternities. Here Kappa Alpha (Southern) was founded. And at our sister institution, the Virginia Military Institute, Alpha Tau

Omega and Sigma Nu were established. This is an enviable record, the home of three of the largest fraternities. There is hardly a man in the faculty who is not a fraternity man, and the president, Dr. Denny, is one of the most loyal of Sigma Chis. Kappa Alpha is thinking of building a house and it is hoped before many years that its plans will materialize. Such action would bring a new phase into fraternity life at this University.

V. GILMORE IDEN.

DEAR OLD TAU!

"Dear Old Girl."

When the war's fierce strife was done,
And the last sad battle won,
Then the rising southern sun
 Death no more saw.
Born in the smoke and flame,
Friendship for age to claim,
Creature of peace, you came,
 Fair Alpha Tau.
You were formed in love's behest,
And you've nobly stood all test
Until now you stand supreme
 From sea to sea.
And thy sons are true as steel,
Each one filled with fervent zeal
To wave thy standard high
 In victory.

CHORUS :—Dear old Tau,

 Thy Crescent's gleaming o'er thee,
Dear old Tau,
 Thy Cross lights all before thee.
Thy mystic stars are shining
 And thy altar fire's aglow.
Thy white tea-rose is twining
 Round thy palm tree, A. T. O.

—Walter B. Hare.



BRO. CHARLES F. SMITH.

In Memoriam.

CHARLES F. SMITH,

(Ills. Gamma Zeta.)

Initiated, 1900 ; Died, 1906.

Requiescat in pace.

BERT E. SUDLER,

(Vt. Beta Zeta.)

Born, November 19th, 1884 ; Died July 4th, 1906.

Initiated, 1901.

Requiescat in pace.

GUY C. MATTHEWS,

(Kentucky Mu.)

Initiated, 1870 ; Died, June 15th, 1906.

Requiescat in pace.

Brother Matthews, whose demise is recorded was, for many years, one of the editors of the Macon (Ga.) *Telegraph*, and has been associated with Senator Carmack at Memphis. and with Henry Watterson at Louisville in journalism. Death was due to heart failure.



THE ALUMNI.



A. T. O. IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

THE following taken from one of the Knoxville (Tenn.) newspapers will interest many of the brothers who know Brother James C. Denton as a member of our chapter at the University of Tennessee:

James C. Denton, of Nowata, Indian Territory, reached this city last evening and will attend the wedding of his brother, Mr. G. L. Denton, at Oliver Springs to-day, in the capacity of best man. Mr. Denton was formerly a student at the University of Tennessee, graduating in the literary department in 1903, and in the law department in the following year. Speaking of his town in Indian Territory, Mr. Denton said last evening:

"Nowata is a town of about 2,500 population, located in the center of the oil and gas belt in the Cherokee Nation. The Nowata Commercial Club is now building a ten inch pipe line from the Hogshooter district into the town at the cost of \$75,000. I am secretary and treasurer of the Commercial Club.

"The club has raised a bonus of \$50,000 to locate a smelter, which will work 600 hands when completed. The oil production in and around Nowata is now 30,000 barrels a day and it is recognized as one of the richest fields in the United States.

Mr. Denton was the Republican candidate for Mayor of Nowata at the election held in April, but was defeated by a majority of twenty-five votes.

Mr. Denton says that the Standard Oil Company has a number of leases on oil lands in that section, but its big lease in the Osage Nation has been cancelled by the secretary of the interior on the grounds of excess holdings. The secretary is now investigating the Standard Oil holdings in the Cherokee Nation with a view of cancelling them on the same grounds, one person being allowed to lease only 4,800 acres.



THE following incident as related by the Wooster (Ohio) *Republican* will show in what esteem the faculty of Wooster University hold our Bro. George J. Schwartz (Ohio Beta

Mu). "Uncle George," as he is known in his community, is an indefatigable worker for Wooster and Alpha Tau Omega, and the PALM is glad to note the appreciation which his labors have amply merited:

The faculty of Wooster University and their wives, when returning from the country home of Dr. Holden, at Shreve, Thursday, paid a pretty compliment to George J. Schwartz, of North Market street. When the big wagon in which they were returning arrived in front of the Schwartz residence it stopped, a college song was sung, and then some one said, "What's the matter with Uncle George," the answering cry being made, "He's all right." Mr. Schwartz was not at home at the time, but he heard about it as soon as he returned, and appreciates the compliment very much.



BRO. HERBERT S. PHILLIPS, (Ga. Gamma Theta) is the recipient of the following complimentary notice in the columns of the Tampa (Fla.) *Tribune*. The PALM likewise extends its congratulations:

Announcement is made by Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Porter, of Anniston, Ala., of the engagement of Mr. Herbert Stanton Phillips, of this city, to their daughter, Miss Georgia Lois Porter, the wedding to take place in the early part of September at Jacksonville, Ala. Mr. Phillips is now receiving congratulations from his many friends upon his determination and decision to enter matrimonial ranks. He is a man of no vices, a bright lawyer and a thorough gentleman. He numbers his friends in South Florida by the hundreds and has made an excellent reputation as State's Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida. It is understood that Mr. Phillips has won one of the fairest and most charming young ladies of Alabama. Certain it is that she has secured one of Florida's most favored sons. The *Tribune* extends congratulations.



"SAVOYARD" contributes a most interesting article to the Richmond (Va.) *Times-Despatch*, entitled, "The Story of a Crime," being an exposé of the methods by which the United States Government despoiled the Cherokee Indians of their lands and a resumé of the events which led up to the payment of the amount claimed by them in the United States Courts. Bro. Robert L. Owen (Va. Beta), represented

the Cherokees before the courts and his efforts are the subject of much praise by the writer. A portion of the article is reproduced :

I now want to say something about a remarkable man, who secured the payment of the claim—Robert L. Owen, himself of Cherokee blood. He made the leading argument in both the Court of Claims and before the United States Supreme bench. Chief Justice Nott, of the former tribunal, stated that Owen's speech before him was the ablest that had been before that court during his entire service of forty years. Senator Clapp, in a speech in the Senate, remarked that a Justice of the Supreme Court said to him that Owen's speech before that tribunal was one of the finest arguments he had ever heard.

Robert L. Owen was born at Lynchburg, Va., forty-five years ago. His father was a colonel in the Confederate army, and subsequently president of the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad. His mother was of Scotch-Irish extraction, Narcissa Chisolm, born in the Cherokee Nation, and of Indian blood. Mr. Owen, after graduating at Washington and Lee with distinguished honors, went to the Cherokee Nation and became a teacher in the schools of his mother's people. He was secretary of the board of education, and was Indian agent for the Five Civilized Tribes from 1885 to 1889.

As fiscal agent of the Choctaw Nation, he disbursed \$1,436,000. He was leading counsel of the Choctaw and Chickasaws in the famous "leased district" case, and recovered \$2,991,450, and for the western Cherokees he recovered \$800,000. He was the founder of eight towns on the Cherokee outlet. He was instrumental in securing the act of Congress establishing a court with civil jurisdiction in Indian Territory, and drew the bill himself. He is a distinguished and influential member of the Bar Association of Indian Territory. He procured the extension of the national banking law to the Territory. After the passage of the Curtis act, which he bitterly opposed as an invasion of treaty rights, he drafted an act giving full citizenship to the Indians in the Territory. The late Senator Platt, of Connecticut, highly commended the project and ably contributed to its passage.

His last service to his people I have tried to relate—the securing of a judgment against the government for his people of above \$5,000,000. Mr. Owen spends a great deal of time in Washington looking after the interests of his people. He is a man of talent and tact. He is a man of culture, familiar with six languages. He is learned at the bar and eloquent in the council. In politics he is a Democrat, and if that party should name the first Senators from the youngest daughter of the sisterhood, no doubt one of them will be Robert L. Owen.



THE North Carolina number of the New York *Newsletter*, a publication issued by the New York Life Insurance Co., is

devoted to an exploitation of the history and industries of that State. The White Furniture Co., which is composed of two ardent Alpha Taus, viz: David A. White, (N. C. Alpha Eta) and William E. White, (N. C. Alpha Eta), is accorded liberal space and our readers will take pleasure in noting what is said of our enterprising brothers:

North Carolina has been making great strides in other manufactures than cotton. Furniture is also a field in which she excels. The timber of her forests furnishes the best of oak, chestnut and ash, and capital, energy and skill are doing the rest. The White Furniture Company, of Mebane, recently shipped a whole train-load of furniture which had been sold to the United States Government for use at Panama, and this was found so satisfactory that a second order has been given this company by the Government.

The White Company has a capital of \$100,000, and its plant was recently so enlarged that it now has a capacity of \$300,000 worth of furniture per year. The company owns timber lands and saw-mills, and its dry-houses, shops, machinery, etc., are on the latest and most improved plans. About 175 men are employed in the company's factories.

Behind every conspicuous success there are sure to be some sterling virtues, and the White Company claim that theirs is due to the care with which timber is selected, the thoroughness with which it is cured, the skill and care with which it is put together, finished, packed and shipped. In 1881 the company had a single saw-mill; now it has one of the three largest furniture factories in the South.

Bro. David A. White was a member of the High Council from 1896 to 1898, and also served as Fraternity Architect and Worthy Grand Scribe.



ARTHUR RUGH (Ohio Alpha Psi), is engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in China, and the following clipping is of interest to all Alpha Taus:

Letters from Arthur Rugh, a graduate of Wittenberg College and well known in this city, but now in Shanghai, China, where he is taking a leading part in the building up of a Chinese Y. M. C. A., state that the field for personal work among the fallen English young men in that city is very wide. Mr. Rugh will shortly be entirely supported by the Y. M. C. A. of Cincinnati in his work in China. Up to this time the Y. M. C. A.'s of Southern Ohio, including the local institution, have aided him in his work. In one of his letters Mr. Rugh has the following to say:

"The organization of the English young men in the Chinese city to aid in the spreading of the Y. M. C. A. work among the Chinese young men is one of the main difficulties of the foreign Y. M. C. A. work. After much difficulty some of the English and American young men have been interested in the work and organized into a class of Bible study to prepare for the aiding in the spread of the work. But scores of young men come to this city every year, most of them members of the Church of England, many of them with experience in Christian work, and a large percentage of them soon either deny their confession or worse—go swift and sure to the bad. These are not ordinary men. They are sent here by firms because of known ability, and they run the round of sin in this port city with all the speed possible to keen young men. I have never seen such an intense field as this for personal work, and only the strongest adjectives will describe the need of men, their dangers, and what they will mean to Shanghai and China if won. Individual work is what is needed. I remember in the manual of instructions under which I came here it was stated that I was to aid in training up native leaders. This being the case there is no branch or feature of our work that so much needs your prayers as this class of personal workers among the English men, that they may foster the Y. M. C. A. here by deed and action as well as word and tongue."

An important feature of the work which Rugh mentions is the organization of a committee of Chinamen to take charge of the Y. M. C. A. work in the colleges. This native co-operation with the Y. M. C. A. work is helpful. The assistance of the missionaries is a great source of gratification to the Y. M. C. A. workers. The Cincinnati boys are trying to raise \$500 for Rugh and his work this year.



CARL R. MELOY, (Ohio Alpha Psi), was appointed assistant professor of the pathological department of the University of Virginia. A local newspaper notes the appointment in these words:

Carl R. Meloy, son of Prof. L. S. Meloy of this city school, last Wednesday received a notification of his appointment of assistant professor of pathology, at the University of Virginia. Mr. Meloy will go to the university in September to begin his new work.

Mr. Meloy deserves considerable credit for the appointment as the recommendation that secured it for him was from a former assistant professor of pathology at John Hopkins' University from which Mr. Meloy graduated this year. It speaks well for the young man as he is to work under the man who recommended him for the position.

It will be necessary for the hospital board to elect some one as senior interne at that institution, as Mr. Meloy, who was selected to this position, has resigned. It is understood that the board will take care of this appointment at their next meeting.

PERSONAL NOTES.

BETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE.

Governor D. C. Heyward, of South Carolina, is one of the most prominent A. T. O's alive to-day. He is probably the best liked governor that the Palmetto State has had in years and to the regret of many has announced his retirement from politics at the end of his term which comes in January next. After that time he will make his home in Columbia where he is president of the Standard Warehouse Company, one of the largest ware housing combines in America. This company is helping the Southern farmer in his effort to make the selling price of cotton more stable and Governor Heyward is an important factor in this work. He was goated at Washington and Lee some years ago and in spite of that fact is one of the youngest men that have ever filled the executive chair in South Carolina.

W. P. H.

XI, TRINITY.

Thorne, '97, is with the General Fire Extinguisher Co., in Atlanta, Ga.

W. T. Dixon, '02, is in the cotton mill business at Bessemer City, N. C.

H. R. Dwire, '02, is editor of a paper in Winston, N. C.

G. G. Connelly, '02, is with the American Tobacco Co., at Durham, N. C.

R. P. Reade, '98, is Professor of Law in Trinity College, Durham, N. C.

R. O. Lawton, '04, is Assistant Professor of English in Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C.

H. C. Satterfield, '04, is in the insurance business, Roxboro, N. C.

A. B. Bradsher, '04, is with the American Tobacco Co., Durham, N. C.

OMEGA, SEWANEE.

Lummis is employed in a Houston (Tenn.) Bank.

Brooks, '06, will hang out his shingle in Indian Territory.

Manning, '06, is working for the Granby Stone Co., Columbia, S. C. He expects to enlist in the Marines in Fall.

ALPHA EPSILON, POLYTECHNIC.

H. S. Henderson is practicing medicine in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Payner is with the General Electric Co., Lynn, Mass.

W. R. Samford is teaching at Barton Academy, Mobile.

ALPHA ZETA, MERCER.

Prof. K. T. Alfuend, of Milledgeville, Ga., has resigned his position as Professor of Latin at Georgia Military College, to accept the superintendency of Public Schools of Dublin, Ga.

O. S. Preddy, is cashier of Bank of Hahera, Hahera, Ga.

J. D. Howard is candidate for Georgia Senate from 20th district without opposition.

TAU, PENNSYLVANIA.

Snyder is working with the Barrett Mfg. Co., in an executive capacity.

Bailey is with the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Bond is with the Bell Telephone Co., Philadelphia.

Swoyer is with the Helios Manufacturing Co., Philadelphia.

ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG.

Since the last PALM no less than four Alpha Taus have become initiates into the Eternal Order of Benedicts, as follows: George E. K. Guth and Miss Esther Steckel, Howard

E. Shimer and Miss Lucile M. Miller, Samuel P. Miller and Miss Cora L. Ziegenfuss, and Claude T. Reno, Editor-in-chief of the PALM, and Miss May G. Appel.

The engagement of John McCollom and Miss Mabel Newhard is announced.

Claude Hoffman is employed with the banking firm of Shoemaker & Co., Allentown, Pa.

Edwin T. Mosser, of Chicago, spent the Summer in the East.

J. Howard Worth has a Lutheran charge at Atlantic City, N. J.

E. K. Kline graduated from the law department of the University of Pennsylvania. He will locate in Allentown, Pa.

Dr. Rein K. Hartzell is the Democratic nominee for Representative to the General Assembly of Pennsylvania from the Allentown district.

ALPHA LAMBDA, COLUMBIA.

Of those who left Columbia in June, 1906: John D. Wigin is engaged in business in Bloomfield, N. J.; Henry B. Shut is practicing law in New York; Howard E. Bruner, in Crowley, Louisiana, while Ben. F. Dixon, Jr., is following the same profession in Dallas, N. C., having formed a partnership bearing the historic name "Mason and Dixon."

Howard M. Butterfield, '05, who married soon after leaving college, is the proud father of a prospective A. T. O.

ALPHA MU, ADRIAN.

John H. Bristor is at his home in Steubenville in business with his father.

A. J. Martin, '03, is preaching in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Davisburg, Mich.

Guy Clafin, is practicing medicine at Adrian, Mich.

Clarence Wilcox, '02, is clerk of the federal courts in Detroit.

James E. Harris, '04, is pastor of the Methodist Protestant of Caro, Mich.

H. V. Micheuer, '05, is with the Pittsburg Plate Glass Co.

C. E. Piper has opened law offices in Seattle, Washington.



ALPHA MU, MT. UNION.

H. R. Ake has been appointed Deputy Treasurer of Stork County.

E. F. Robinson, Superintendent of Schools at Garrettsville, was one of the instructors in Mt. Union Summer School.

S. F. Tombaugh is the Secretary of the Ohio Olay Co., recently organized at Minerva.

J. W. Moore, of Leetonia, has been reappointed for a third term as County Examiner.

V. C. Snyder, '02, was married on May 28th, to Miss Elsie Meek, at Armstrong Mills, Ohio. They are at home to their friends at 614 Oakland Avenue, Detroit. Bro. Snyder is Sales Manager of The Gem Fiber Package Co., of Detroit.

W. F. Finley, '02, has recently been appointed Cashier of the Lakeview Branch of the Garfield Savings Bank Co., of Cleveland.

H. R. Snyder has been appointed coach for the Oberlin football team of '06. Bro. Snyder won his "H" at Harvard last year in the Pennsylvania game, and is now a third year man in the Law School.

A. T. Snyder, '01, was married to Miss Josephine Myers at the home of the bride's parents, at Homeworth, on July 9th, in the presence of the immediate families. They are now at home at Canton, Ohio, where Bro. Snyder has already established a flourishing law practice. Bro. Snyder is a '04 graduate of Harvard Law School.

ALPHA PI, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

Chas. A. Tuit, '04, is studying law in Uniontown, Pa.

Mack G. Montgomery, '04, is located in Gulfport, Miss. When last heard from he was connected with an express company there. He intends to come North next Winter.

F. W. Kiefer, ex-'05, is keeping books for the Iona Mercantile Co., Iona, Idaho. He says he will return to college in the Fall.

The marriage of C. A. McCollum, ex-'07, to Miss Frances Pauline Woods has recently been announced.

H. S. Kuder, '02, is teaching in the high school in Aspinwall, near Pittsburg, Pa.

S. H. Bradshaw, '02, is studying law at Pittsburg Law School.

Sam Eckels, '05, is a Civil Engineer in Aspinwall, Pa.

ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE.

Crane, '06, will teach during the coming year in the high school at Westmoreland, N. Y.

This fall, Lewis, '06, will enter upon his new duties as principal in the Madria High School, Madria, N. Y.

Hurlbut, '06, has secured a position with the Atlas Portland Cement Co., New York City.

ALPHA TAU, S. W. P. U.

Wm. L. Frierson, Chattanooga's popular Mayor delivered an eloquent address in behalf of the city in welcoming the Kappa Sigmas at their recent convention at Look-out Inn, Chattanooga.

ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG.

Miss Henrietta Birney and Bro. Clarence O. Lutz were married.

Miss Mabel E. Dolbeer and Bro. Rev. Curtis E. Laughbaum were married. Bro. Laughbaum has a Lutheran charge, at Nevada, Ohio.

ALPHA OMEGA, FLORIDA.

Bro. C. H. Maguire, '05, is connected with the Atlantic Coast Line Railway in Jacksonville, Fla.

Bro. Frank Clark, Jr., is private secretary to his father, Congressman Clark from the second district.

Bro. Edwin Clark, is attending a Dental College in Baltimore.

Bro. R. J. Evans, Jr., '06, will attend Medical College this Fall in Atlanta, Ga.

Bro. A. C. Evans, '06, will go to West Point next year, having received a special appointment. He at present, Associate Editor of the *True Democrat*, a paper which has the largest circulation in the State.

BETA ALPHA, SIMPSON.

W. B. Read spent part of the Summer in northern Canada investigating the land situation there.

M. E. Quint, '92, and T. B. Morris, '94, had a pleasant outing with their families at Lake Emily, Minnesota, this Summer.

Dudley D. Griffith, '03, has been elected to the chair of Greek at Park College, Parkville, Mo.

J. Clyde Smith is doing a prosperous drug business at Lohrville, Ia.

Gose and Dusenbery of the class of '06 have secured good positions and will teach this year.

Fansher, '06, will enter the theological department of Boston University this Fall.

J. Norman Fuller has purchased an interest in a drug store at Monevista, Colo.

E. Ward Carpenter, '06, has already entered upon his career as a merchant. He is engaged in business at Nodaway, Ia.

BETA BETA, SOUTHERN.

Bro. V. P. Cherry is now assistant bookkeeper for Loeb Carriage Co., Montgomery, Ala.

Bro. C. C. Carmichael is with the Mobile Trunk Co., Mobile, Ala.

Bro. J. A. Carmichael is a partner in the firm of Carmichael and Son, Enterprise, Ala.

Bro. A. C. Davis is manager of the music department of E. E. Forbes Co., Montgomery, Ala.

Bro. J. W. Frazer will enter Vanderbilt University this Fall.

Bro. R. B. McGehee will prepare himself for the ministry at Vanderbilt University.

Bro. W. H. Sadler will enter Yale this Fall, he expects to be a lawyer.

Bro. H. W. Rice (Prof.) will teach school near Camden this year.

Bro. A. Abrams is in the dry goods business at Greensboro, Ala.

Bro. F. H. Bryant holds a very responsible position with the Title Guarantee Co., of Birmingham, Ala.

Bro. I. I. Tatom is practicing law at Geneva, Ala.

BETA GAMMA, M. I. T.

Bailey, '06, has been elected assistant instructor by the faculty of the Institute.

BETA LAMBDA, MICHIGAN.

Lathrop has located in Chicago with a large wholesale firm.

Cutler has taken a position with a New York commission house.

Francis has taken charge of his farm near Hillsboro, N. D.

Warner will locate in South Bend, Ohio.

Wadsworth will probably locate in Cleveland, Ohio.

Cornelius has taken up work in his brother's law firm in Lockport, N. Y.

Kime has secured an excellent position with the Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Co., at their Detroit office.

BETA XI, CHARLESTON.

S. McG. Benet is secretary and treasurer of the Granby Stone Co., Columbia, S. O.

Marion P. Brawley is private secretary to Lewis Parker, Greenville, S. O. Mr. Parker is the largest mill owner in the South. Bro. Brawley was a delegate to the Boston Congress.

BETA OMICRON, ALBION.

R. Clinton Platt, Michigan Rhodes scholar at Oxford, Eng., very pleasantly surprised his friends in this country by returning to Michigan, the last of June, to spend the Summer here. He returns to England in September. He tells of many good times enjoyed by the Alpha Taus at Oxford.

A. Percy Fall has returned from Cuba and after September 1st., will again be at Bay City.

Carleton Jacobs was united in marriage, Wednesday, July 18, to Miss Ella Koons, of Albion. After an extended trip in the West, they returned to Albion and are living east of the city where Bro. Jacobs conducts a very successful wholesale market garden business.

Lisle Smith is teaching in the high school at Pueblo, Col. Harry Howe is in the real estate business in Los Angeles, Cal.

Charles Anderson was married August 7th, to Miss Irene Farley, of Albion. They will reside in Detroit.

Harold Beal is owner and publisher of a newspaper in Englewood, Cal.

The marriage of Frank Andrews Fall and Miss Nella Ramsdell occurred Wednesday evening, June 27th, at the home of the bride's parents, E. Erie street, Albion, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Fall have taken up their residence in New York City, where Bro. Fall will continue as Bursar of New York University.

Chas. Jacobs is in the manufacturing business in Kenosha, Wis.

BETA OMEGA, OHIO STATE.

Knapp, who was Assistant Physical Instructor last year has accepted a better position in Portland, Oregon.

McMaster will return to the University of Illinois as Instructor in Drawing.

Carnie Thompson, late Speaker of House of Representatives, is now a candidate for Secretary of State.

GAMMA ALPHA, COLBY.

John Dyer, '98, is to be Principal of the Milo High School for the coming year.

V. Merle Jones, '06, has a position in Westerleigh Collegiate Institute, teaching Latin and German.

John W. Bartlett was graduated from the Engineering Department of State College. While there he was vice-president of the University Club.

GAMMA DELTA, BROWN.

Dr. S. A. McComber, former physical director at Detroit University School and now in the city, has accepted an offer from Union College at Schenectady, N. Y. He will take charge at the beginning of the Fall term.

GAMMA ETA, TEXAS.

T. W. Gregory, Regent of the University, is spending the Summer with his family in Colorado.

G. M. Cox, B. S., '06, has gone into business in Hico, Texas.

Howard W. Key, B. S., '02, graduated from the Massachusetts Tech. this June. He is now with the General Electric Co.

R. J. McNullan, Law, '06, has opened an office in San Antonio, Texas.

J. C. Brown, Jr., has been at Cananea, Mexico. He is now recovering from a severe illness at Fort Davis, Texas.

GAMMA THETA, NEBRASKA.

Linn M. Huntington and Miss Helen Choate Streeter were married at 9 o'clock, Wednesday, June 27th, at St. Luke's Church at Kearney, Nebraska. Both are graduates of the University of Nebraska of the class of 1903. Mrs. Huntington is a member of the Ohi Omega fraternity. They are to make their home at Empire, Canal Zone, where Bro. Huntington has a position as government engineer.

Harry Hardman, the youngest lawyer to be admitted to the bar in South Dakota, is practicing law in Brookings, S. D.

P. W. Metz, '06, has opened up a law office at Basin, Wyoming.

GAMMA IOTA, CALIFORNIA.

C. L. Bigelow became a benedict during the stirring times of the earthquake. He is now connected with the city and county hospital of San Francisco.

Norman C. Stines was also married during the Summer months. The event made quite a stir in the society circles of Berkeley.

GAMMA KAPPA, WESTERN RESERVE.

Louis Englandor and Joseph F. Williams were two of the five men who passed the best examination for admission to the Ohio Bar. The Ohio examination are said to be the most stringent of any in the United States.

GAMMA LAMBDA, COLORADO.

Rowland A. Miller was in May raised to the position of Field Superintendent of Agencies for Colorado with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company and has already made a mark for himself in the new work. Bro. Ned. O. Steel is achieving success with the same company.

A number of Gamma Lambda alumni are planning to attend the Birmingham convention.

Horace Holmes is now associated with the Frank Park Real Estate Company, of Boulder, Colo., one of the foremost in that city.

Olaude Hannum and Richard Eberle are now with the Colorado Bell Telephone Company in Denver.

Hugo Wangelin has recently accepted an electrical engineering position with the Salida, Colo., Electric Light Company.

Gamma Lambda brothers in Boulder received a very pleasant visit in June from Lewis F. Parton, now of the editorial staff of the Chicago *Tribune*.

A. J. Elliot, L. L. B, '04, is now practicing at Globe, Arizona; S. H. Underwood, '05, has hung out his shingle at Cheyenne, Wyo.; A. M. Emigh and Herbert Kirton, '05, at Pagosa Springs, Colo.

R. S. Harrison will be located at Oakland, Cal., after September 1st, with a theatrical stock company.

Ira C. Rothgerber and Walter M. Appel have formed a partnership for the practice of law and occupy offices in Symes Block, Denver.

GAMMA MU, KANSAS.

Barkman, '03, is Superintendent of Construction of Bridges for the Missouri Valley Bridge & Iron Co., at Manzanillo, Colima, Mexico.

Leslie Gould, '03, is candidate for Clerk of District Court, in Greenwood County. Bro. Gould was nominated by the Republicans of that county last July, and a nomination in that county is equivalent to an election.

O. C. Jones is with the Bankers Trust Co., in Kansas City, Mo.

Brook and Hosford are located in Lawrence in the Real Estate and Investment Company, under the name of the C. B. Hosford Investment Co.

Taylor is transferred to Fort Worth, Tex., where he is connected with the Engineering Department of the Iola Portland Cement Co.

Frank Bedell, '06, is also with the Iola Portland Cement Co.

O. A. Zimmerman, '06, has accepted a position with the Missouri Valley Bridge & Iron Co., at Leavenworth, Kans.

Walter Hall and wife, announce the birth of a son, Walter Haynes Hall, July 30th, 1906. We all join in congratulations.

Wharton Barthalow has been digging fossils in Wyoming, during the past Summer.

GAMMA XI, CHICAGO.

Eugene Lippincott graduated in law at the end of the Summer quarter. He will locate in some Ohio town to practice.

Charles Latchem will attend the McCormick Theological Seminary this year.

W. L. Childs, physical director in the University of Chicago has gone to Ft. Worth, Texas, to serve in the same capacity for the Y. M. C. A. The position is a responsible one.

Curtis Rogers was in charge of a medical dispensary in Chicago during the Summer.

W. J. Boone has returned to Hillsdale College, his Alma Mater, to coach the football team. After the season he will resume his work with the Northern Auto Co., Chicago.

GAMMA OMICRON, PURDUE.

A. J. Haltone, '06, is inspector in the lumber district in the State of Washington.

O. P. M. Goss, '04, has been transferred from Lafayette to New Haven, Conn., as expert in timber testing for the U. S. experimental station located at Yale.

S. B. Lindley, '05, is assistant superintendent with the Dolese & Shepard Co., at Chicago.

R. R. Bragg, ex-'07, is filling the position of resident engineer for the Vandolia R. R. Co., at Indianapolis.

F. L. Warner, formerly of the faculty has accepted a position with the Ewart Chain Mfg. Co., at Indianapolis, Ind.

GAMMA PI, WASHINGTON.

DeLand has left employ of the James Clark Leather Co., and together with his brother, has opened real estate offices in the Globe Building, Seattle.

Fisher is employed as a mining engineer at Prairie City, Oregon.

ASSOCIATION LETTERS.

ALLENTOWN.

The Allentown Association has been very active during the past several months in the collection of funds for the erection of a house at Muhlenberg College. A lot located in close proximity to the campus has been purchased and the Building Committee headed by "King Max" Erdman is bending every energy to liquidate the mortgage upon it. As soon as the mortgage is satisfied the house will be constructed. A payment was made in the mortgage during the past month and it is very probable that the entire amount will be paid in Spring.

The association will be represented at Birmingham by Max Erdman, Ira Wise, A. S. Hartzell, and C. T. Reno.

ATLANTA.

We have a very live A. T. O. Alumni Association in this section of Georgia with headquarters in Atlanta. We meet in the chapter hall of Ga. Beta Iota, and share their rental, which is enough financial assistance to facilitate their work very greatly.

We meet quarterly and give one annual dinner. We propose to entertain at least one distinguished A. T. O. at each dinner. This year we invited our dearly beloved founder, Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook and our able worthy Grand Chief, Chas. H. Fenn. We were disappointed at Bro. Fenn's failure to come. Urgent business detained him at his office at the last moment.

Bro. Glazebrook was here with the youth and vigor of twenty years ago, and clothed with the spirit of Alpha Tau brotherhood, which only a lifetime of devoted service could have given. His words put reminiscent joy in the heart of every alumnus present, and furnished enough inspiration and enthusiasm to arouse every active member in Georgia to the best work ever done for the fraternity in the state. His gracious expression of appreciation of the occasion, his happy words of encouragement to our association will be treasured through the coming years, and his wise counsel to the active element of the fraternity will bear abundant fruit. We would have him among us oftener.

Our dinner was a brilliant success, and was enjoyed by more than fifty of the finest men our state has in her limits. Every walk of our civic life had representatives seated around the board; lawyers, bankers, merchants, dentists, physicians, manufacturers, insurance men and all kinds of technical experts. We are especially strong on the bench, having two Supreme Court Judges presiding in Georgia now.

On account of the absence of our President, Dr. A. I. Branham, the preparation of our dinner fell upon his committee, headed by Bro. Jno. K.

Ottley to whose able management most of the credit is due for this delightful evening. Notwithstanding the ardent duties of the daily routine of the vice-president's window of the Fourth National Bank, Bro. Ottley can always find a moment to enjoy an exchange of good fellowship with an Alpha Tau. Taking every detail of the arrangements for our annual dinner under consideration, he worked for minute elegance, and we had it throughout the menu and the toast responses.

To every toast proposed, the speakers responded in such happy veins that every mother's son present was glad that he was living that night, and was gladder still that he had been born under three such lucky stars, the gladdest of all that since his early college days he had been guided by the kindly light of the Crescent.

The toast list follows :

Dr. O. A. Glazebrook, "The Fraternity;" "Here's our Chief Guest." Chas. H. Fenn, Worthy Grand Chief, "The A. T. O., Yesterday, To-Day and Forever;" "I Beseech you All, be better known to this Gentleman." Judge S. C. Atkinson, "The A. T. O. at the Bar, the Bench and the Alter;" "He bears his Blushing Honors thick upon Him." Col. Shepard Bryan, "The Sorority;" "A Modern Ecstasy." J. S. Slicer, "The A. T. O. in Dixie;" "That Man's the best Cosmopolite who Loves his Native Country best;" "The A. T. O. at the Georgia College;" "Masters, Spread Yourselves." "Georgia Beta Iota, School of Technology, Atlanta," J. S. Beane. "Georgia Alpha Beta, University of Georgia, Athens," F. S. Winn. "Georgia Alpha Theta, Emory College, Oxford," Louis P. Wilson. "Georgia Alpha Zeta, Mercer University, Macon."

GEO. S. TIGNIER.

INDIANA.

D. L. Lindley, the correspondent of our Purdue chapter informs us of the organization of an Indiana Alumni Association with headquarters at Indianapolis. We hope to present more specific information with the December issue.

MINNESOTA.

The Minnesota Alumni Association has been taking a rest, so far as meetings are concerned, since the Summer vacation began; we are however only resting and will be prepared to do all in our power to advance Alpha Tau in the great Northwest.

The Association sends greetings to all sister chapters and Associations and in fact to every Alpha Tau and wishes them one and all prosperity and success.

Fraternally yours,

MINNESOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION,
per Wm. H. Oppenheimer, *Secretary*.

PANAMA.

Empire, Canal Zone, Panama.

MY DEAR BRO. RENO :—It has been in my mind for a long time to write you, and express my appreciation of the new PALM, but somehow or other I have succumbed to the true *Panama* spirit, and have put it off time and time again.

While returning from my last vacation in the States, however, I had for a shipmate Bro. A. L. Bell, of the new chapter at M. I. T., and promptly decided to do it at last. So far as I know, I have been the only Alpha Tau on the Isthmus for nearly two years, with one exception. After Dr. Ross left, Bro. Van Atta, from Ohio State was at Christobal for a while, but later went on south. He is now, I believe, with either the Guayaquil and Quito, at Guayaquil, or else on the Bolivian Government surveys for the new Trans Andean line.

Will you put into shape some such notice as the Manila Alumni Association had for so long? Merely a request that any brother knowing of another brother on, or going to, the Isthmus, communicate with me at the above address? There are a number of prospective alumni associations here. Sigma Chi has the largest number of men, I believe, but D. K. E. and S. A. E. are both well represented, and so are Delta Psi, Psi U, and some others. With some such notice in the PALM, perhaps I might find some other Alpha Taus.

If you would care for it, I might perhaps get you up a short article on present conditions, with as many pictures as you would care to reproduce. There are only some dozen men on the Isthmus at present who have been here longer than I have, and when one looks back at the place as it was two years ago, it is almost incredible that so much has been accomplished in so short a time—this in spite of the numerous newspaper articles to the contrary.

We have established a University Club in Panama, and in spite of its youth—it was founded in October last—it has already taken rank as the best club in the city. On the 28th the club gave a smoker in honor of Mr. Shonts, who is still here, and drew together over two hundred members—college men all. And, I think, over half the membership are fraternity men as well.

With best wishes, and renewed congratulations on the appearance of the PALM, I am,

Fraternally yours,

LINN M. HUNTINGTON,
Neb. Gamma Theta, '04.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

PROVINCE I.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON—ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

We are now about ready for another year of hard work, and Alpha Epsilon looks forward to a most prosperous year. We expect to return about sixteen men. Last year was a happy one for us and when we return to Auburn on September 5th, everyone is going to try to make this Alpha Epsilon's best year.

JULIUS T. PEARSON.

ALABAMA BETA BETA—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

At the June commencement we carried off our share of honors both in the classroom and on the field. Bros. Sadler and Lazenby winning medals for us while Bros. Ward, McGehee, and Hastings looked after our interests on the ball field.

Bro. Hill, a new man, was a giant in the classroom, surpassing all others as a first years man and by the grades he made in the classroom he gave to our chapter a much better standing with the faculty.

Beta Beta will be weak at the beginning of the year for out of a chapter of fourteen men three graduated and four were compelled to leave school, and from present indications we may not return more than five men, but if there is any timber to work with, Beta Beta will answer to roll call with the best that is there as she has always done in the past years. This year we will not be permitted to rush a man until after he has been in school about three months.

The board of trustees compelled us to give up our room in the college building at the close of the past session; this was a hard blow to all the Frats. for all of us had just spent a great deal of money on them. Beta Beta succeeded in getting a nice room in the Blunt Building on Main street, and the most desirable place in Greensboro. We have leased it for a number of years and expect to make it an ideal chapter hall.

On June 2d, we held our annual banquet at the residence of Mrs. Leila Otts. On this occasion we had with us a number of our alumni, the faculty and other fraternities were also well represented. As usual we had a great time.

F. G. HASTINGS.

ALABAMA BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Vacation is rapidly drawing to a close and soon the Beta Delta boys will re-assemble for a year which we hope will be even more prosperous than the last. Our prospects for the coming year are very good.

Five of our men were graduated last year, but two of them will return to take a post-course, so we will have ten active members to begin with and are expecting to have two affiliates with us to take law. Both of these are loyal Alpha Taus and will add much to our chapter.

Nearly all of our brothers have been hard at work during the vacation. Bro. Brannen is working in Troy, Ala.; Bro. Dent has a good position in Montgomery; Bro. Gwin is with a drug store in Anniston, Ala.; Bro. Whiteside has a good position in the post office at Oxford, Ala.; Bro. F. S. Daniel is in a law office in Tuscaloosa; Bro. Roy Ledbetter, is chemist for the Tennessee Company at Ensley; Bro. Hill is practicing law in Montgomery. All the other boys are spending their vacation pleasantly, some working and others frolicking.

Last year was a most successful one for Beta Delta but we hope to do more this year in pushing along our chapter house fund.

College opens September 5th, with an unusually bright outlook, and we will have plenty of good material to pick from.

LEROY H. WOODRUFF.

FLORIDA ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

Vacation is now drawing to a close, and all are thinking about entering school. We will have the best chapter in the history of Florida Alpha Omega next year. All of the old fellows will return. We have three others selected who make good and true wearers of the Maltese Cross. The Fall term begins September 25th, in the little City of Gainesville, the newly selected location for the University.

LUTHER HOLLOWAY.

GEORGIA ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

On June 20th, Georgia Alpha Beta wound up her affairs for the year 1906-07, and all the boys "turned in" for home to enjoy that long looked for and much needed (?) rest. On that day two of Alpha Beta's best men, Chas C. Birchmore, of Athens, Ga., and G. A. Green, of Washington, Ga., received their diplomas from the law department, and were admitted that afternoon to practice law at the bar of Georgia. Although we rejoice with them in their success, still we regret very much to see them leave, for by their loyalty and untiring work for Alpha Tau and good fellowship they have won a warm place in the hearts of each member of the chapter.

Bro. Birchmore covered himself with glory by his speech as representative of his class.

Bro. T. S. Winn, of Savannah, Ga., was a contestant for the Junior oration prize, while Bros. H. G. Cannon, of Winder, and Harold Reynolds, of Lexington, were our representatives in the Sophomore Declamation Contest.

Previous to the writing of this letter your correspondent has been in close communication with all the boys and they are working as they never worked before. So far we have three fine men pledged and are beginning to show two more that Alpha Tau is the best of them all. We will not have to work under the disadvantages that we had last year and are hoping to make next year the most pleasant and successful in the history of Georgia Alpha Beta.

During the commencement gayeties, Bros. Verderie, (B. I.) of Augusta, Payne, (A. B.) of Grantville, and Hester, (A. B.) of West Point, New York, were our guests. We are always more than glad to have our alumni brothers visit us, and we extend to them a standing invitation to make our chapter house their headquarters whenever in Athens.

LEO JOSEPH.

GEORGIA ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE.

By graduation in June we lost two brothers, L. P. Wilson, and C. B. Quillian, who have been with us during the past three years.

The past year has been fraught with success for Georgia Alpha Theta along all lines of college activity. In both literary and athletic circles we have taken a prominent stand, and have won our share of the laurels along both lines. As evidence of what we are doing we submit the following :

Under the efficient management of Bro. Paul E. Bryan, the Junior baseball team won the pennant, and from this team Bros. Wm. T. Burt and Paul E. Bryan made the "All-Emory" team. Bro. Dr. E. K. Turner, a member of the faculty, is the Junior team's coach. At the banquet given his team by Bro. Turner in celebration of the winning of the pennant, Bro. Paul E. Bryan was re-elected captain for next year.

Bros. Jas. H. Beusse, Paul E. and Wm. L. Bryan represented our chapter in the special gymnasium exhibit on Monday night of commencement.

Bros. T. J. Dempsey and C. B. Quillian won the championship for the doubles in the tennis tournament, while Bro. C. B. Quillian won the singles.

The Junior oration medal was won by Bro. Paul E. Bryan, while the Junior Greek medal was won by Bro. Wm. L. Bryan.

At a joint meeting of Few and Phi Gamma Literary Societies, Bro. Paul E. Bryan was elected Business Manager of the Emory *Phoenix* for the ensuing year. Bro. Wm. L. Bryan has been elected poet of Few Literary Society for its anniversary in October.

We regret to announce that Bros. Wm. B. Byrd and Cecil V. Stanton were forced to leave college before the close of the term on account of sickness, but we are glad to learn of an improved state of health in each case.

Our prospects for next year are bright indeed. We expect to return nearly all the active members of our chapter, and in addition two brothers who have been out of college one or two years. Beside these old men we know some strong new men who will enter college next Fall, several of whom we feel sure of being able to convince of the wisdom of becoming A. T. O's. Through the old men who will return, and the new men for whom we are sharpening our "spikes," we are looking forward with high hopes for a successful year when we shall again assemble in the halls of Georgia Alpha Theta.

WM. L. BRYAN.

GEORGIA BETA IOTA—GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Our college doors open on September 26th to welcome the returning students, and such unsophisticated new ones as may, in the innocence of their hearts, be enticed or persuaded into entering. Ten of last year's chapter will be on hand again this year, and with this and a "pledge" to start on, we hope to build up a chapter that will suit our ideas.

All indications point to this being our most prosperous year, as the chapter has shown the mental ability to survive, for a while at least, the various and devilish examinations thrust upon them.

We are all planning and hoping to go to the Congress at Birmingham; and have begun saving the few extra nickels and dimes that come our way.

Rushing season will begin about a week before college opens; and from then until about two weeks later, the new men will begin to wonder why the band failed to meet them at the train, and the Mayor to make them a "Welcome Address."

J. S. BEANE.

PROVINCE II.

CALIFORNIA GAMMA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

In spite of the earthquake which brought our Spring term to such a sudden close, we begin this term again with very bright prospects for a good year.

We regret very much, however, that Bro. Stewart, '09, and Bro. Bush, '08, were compelled to leave college. Bro. Stewart is now with the Southern Pacific Co., and Bro. Bush is in business with his father. Bro. Bullard graduated last year from the College of Social Sciences, but as he is taking post-graduate work at the university we still see him quite often.

Bro. Davison, '08, was initiated shortly before the close of last term. Bro. Lint, '09, was initiated at the beginning of this term.

We were very pleasantly surprised this Fall by a visit from Bro. Barber, of Alpha Lambda, Columbia University, who staid with us a week. Later

Bro. Ijams, of Gamma Zeta, Illinois University, was with us a few days. He is now a professor at Howard Military Academy, Los Angeles, Cal. We here take the opportunity to announce that Gamma Iota chapter extends an invitation to all A. T. O's, whether from the North, South, East or West, and that she will do all in her power to make the visit a pleasant one.

Following the eruption in football circles, California and Stanford have given up the old intercollegiate game and are going to make rugby the intercollegiate game. Bro. Galloway, who is assistant manager of athletics this year promises great things for the game and announces that interest in this game is growing rapidly.

The Freshmen class this year is as large as ever, with the majority in favor of the men. We have pledged two men this term, and, if given more time in which to write, are certain that we could report more, as we have several men in view.

E. S. FISH.

COLORADO GAMMA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Buoyant hopes and renewed energy, in spite of the loss of several valuable old men, will characterize the beginning of another year for Gamma Lambda. By graduation we lose three brothers, Underwood, Kirton and Emigh. Bro. Underwood had been a charter member of this chapter. The other two followed him by a little over a year. Their untiring efforts in behalf of the fraternity and their hearty good fellowship will be missed indeed. The latest report is, that Bros. Alfred Jones, of Ithaca, and R. D. Cary, of Niagara Falls, are to remain at Cornell this year. The bunch would feel their loss, but hopes that these two may yet be reading this letter at the paternal Gamma Lambda Lodge.

Word from different members of the bunch shows that the summer has been spent in various ways profitable and enjoyable. There have been farmers and bank directors, miners, electricians, law clerks, surveyors, newspaper editors and those who spent the Summer on Lake Cayuga, up Platte Canon, in North Park, at Niagara Falls, and at Los Angeles, on the Pacific. A goodly sized number have had headquarters in Denver where, with the alumni chapter, they have kept in touch by various ways, a notable one being by an Alpha Tau baseball game with novel features on a corner lot there, July 4th. Every one of them whom the correspondent has seen at this time—the end of August—is thoroughly anxious to be back at the fold in Boulder. Bros. Underwood, Steel, Mosher, and Pearce are expected to be on deck with a helping and rushing hand for the first week of college.

The University opens on September 10th, with prospects for an attendance of 800 and for a rousing good year in all respects. Castleman, of Colgate, will be football coach. The team will take trips to Kansas State, Missouri State, Utah and Wyoming, besides meeting the Colorado colleges.

Bros. Roller, Christensen, and Wilson will make a triumverate who should represent Alpha Tau ably under the new rules.

Greenlee, Hudston, Thompson, Garst, Wheeler, Jones, Wilson, Wyatt, Farr, Hood, Chase, Roller, Walsh, Cary, Christensen, Kelly, are all expected to return. One good man is already pledged and several others are being closely shadowed. During the Summer the chapter house has been fixed up and put in fine shape. Visiting Alpha Taus are always welcome.

WM. R. KELLY.

LOUISIANA BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

As the time for the opening of college approaches again, Louisiana Beta Epsilon is very busy, for initiations are the order of the day at Tulane. This year, we have been hard at work and have gotten well ahead of the field in securing the best men available. Though it is too early to give the names of these men at the present writing, the chapter will take pleasure in introducing the several new brothers in the December issue of the PALM.

Vacations are fearful things for scattering the brothers of any chapter and Louisiana Beta Epsilon is no exception to the general rule. Our brothers have gone North, East and West, and have seen other chapters of Alpha Tau Omega, being impressed, in each case, with greatness of our fraternity.

There will be several changes in the student affairs at Tulane during the coming year, and these promise to be of great benefit to our chapter. Several appointments are to be ours, and, with our strength much increased by our new men, we expect a most prosperous year. We will have men in practically every organization at Tulane, including the various student publications, athletic organizations, dancing and musical clubs.

Bro. Geo. Janvier will be at the Law School this year.

LUCIEN E. LYONS, JR.

TEXAS GAMMA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Texas Gamma Eta closed her school year with the university on June 12th, and before this letter is being read Gamma Eta will again be on the scene hard at work with the Freshmen.

During the past year we were careful to pave the way for a most prosperous and happy year. With the assistance of our alumni we have been able to secure a lot, and before another year passes we hope to be able to throw open the doors of our own chapter house to all Alpha Taus.

The prospects for a full attendance in the Fall are the brightest in years, and we feel sure that there will be an abundant supply of material. Already we have six good men in sight and under consideration. Therefore, in our next letter we hope to record a pretty roll of new Alpha Taus.

W. E. GIESSEN.

PROVINCE III.

ILLINOIS GAMMA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Illinois Gamma Zeta looks forward with great pleasure to the opening of the Fall semester. Our new chapter house is near completion and in a few weeks will be our permanent home. We are proud to say that it will be the finest fraternity house here and perhaps with one or two exceptions the finest house in the city. Those of us who have remained over during the Summer expect to leave everything ship-shape for the brothers upon their return.

Since the last PALM letter we have initiated Paul N. Snyder.

During the Summer Bros. Eisner, Elden, Martin, Williams, Rein, and Strawn have visited us at the chapter house.

Bro. Cleavinger who did not return last year and Bro. Wagoner who was out of school the second semester will be with us again this year.

H. J. POWERS.

ILLINOIS GAMMA XI—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The opening of the Fall term at the University of Chicago finds Gamma Xi stronger than at any previous Fall. Although we lost several of our strongest men by either graduation or "quitting" we still have enough active men in residence to fill the house and enable the chapter to easily meet current expenses. To partially offset our losses some of the more energetic brothers have employed their Summer vacation in looking up promising men in the entering class, so that we have already made considerable headway in the "spiking" of the much sought freshmen.

Gamma Xi has three representatives on the football squad, who will probably be awarded emblems at the close of the season.

At present the approaching congress is holding the attention of everyone, and many are the schemes evolved for the reaching of Birmingham.

PAUL ANDRUS.

INDIANA GAMMA GAMMA—ROSE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

During vacation Gamma Gamma has been able to do but little to further her own interests besides having Bros. Wickliff and Douthett oversee the house, the other members having been widely separated by their various duties and pleasures. However, every one will return with an unlimited capacity for work, and we expect to make things hum as never before.

Owing to the fact that we lost no men by graduation last year and only one otherwise, we feel that we should be able to make this a "banner year."

We expect to be represented quite well in all the coming events of the

school year and especially so in athletics for we have men who are sure will represent us on all of the teams. Of course it is a little early to give anything definite in regard to social events, but there is no doubt but what we will hold our own.

D. McDANIEL.

INDIANA GAMMA OMICRON—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

When the brothers of Gamma Omicron are once more called together on September 12th, at Purdue, there promises to be at least eighteen good, strong, enthusiastic members ready to start the new season. Five of these men are Seniors, eight Juniors, and five Sophomores.

The work of the fraternities this year will start early and with a rush, and there promises to be no hesitation for some weeks to come. With a total of thirteen fraternities in Purdue, each one eager to begin the struggle for new men, the rushing season bids fair to be the fiercest in the history of the university.

The new Civil Engineering building has been completed and will be ready for occupancy when school opens. A new Chemistry building is well under way and there will soon be ample accommodation for students in this department.

The football season this year, despite the new rules, will be an interesting one. Under the new regulations the season will not be as hard a one from the standpoint of games played, but the contests scheduled are with the strongest western schools and if the Black and Gold hopes to fare well, she must play football at every game.

Coach Nicol, of the 1906 baseball team, has been appointed athletic manager, and under his direction and management we look forward to a successful season in athletics.

In closing, it will be of interest to both chapters and alumni association to know that a State alumni association has been formed with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind.

D. R. LINDLEY.

IOWA BETA ALPHA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Iowa Beta Alpha's correspondent is glad once more to take his typewriter in hand and to grind out a few notes of interest in regard to his chapter and what some of his chapter brothers have been doing this Summer. This call to duty means that the good times are coming soon when we will all be back at the chapter house again. Our only regret is that we can not again enjoy the constant association with the brothers who graduated last year. Those who thus changed from active to alumni relationship with our chapter are Bros. Carpenter, Dusenbery, Fansher, and Gose. Bro. Mott, we regret to say, leaves us this year to finish his collegiate work at C. U.

The prospect, however, is splendid, and the correspondence of the Summer with the brothers would indicate that they are coming back full of enthusiasm and determined to make this the best year so far in our prosperous career. We will start the year with fourteen active men and one pledge. Furthermore, we are moving into a new home, a fine new brick structure located two blocks from the college campus.

We are glad to hear that Bro. Holmes, '08, who suffered from such a severe accident last May has sufficiently recovered to resume his work at Simpson this Fall. Bros. Senseney and Pryor were among the Simpson delegates at the Y. M. C. A. Convention, at Lake Geneva, Wis., in June. They reported having had an excellent visit at the chapter house of Illinois Gamma Xi on their way home. Among the honors which came to our chapter during commencement week was the winning of the Badley-Schee Thesis Contest by Bro. Frank Mott, '07. Bro. Carpenter captured a baseball "S." Bros. Harris and Landsbury spent part of the Summer at the home of the latter in Colorado Springs, Colo. Bro. Pryor was a delegate to the Democratic State Convention at Waterloo, Ia., on August 7th. On August 25th, chapter reunions were held at Council Bluffs, Ia., and at Indianola, and telegraphic communication between these points that night told of the good times the brothers were having together.

JOHN CARLISLE PRYOR.

KANSAS GAMMA MU—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Prospects for Gamma Mu were never brighter than now. The University opens on September 12th, with prospects for an attendance of 2,000 students, an increase of 300 over any previous record. Fraternity material will be abundant, and with twelve men to start the work, we all feel very much encouraged. We are determined that this shall be the banner year for the Kansas chapter.

Our chapter house is located in the choicest part of town and is pronounced by impartial judges the best equipped in the city. The grounds surrounding have been carefully kept, and our tennis court, the only fraternity court in town, is in readiness for our champions.

Bro. Burdick, who has been in Annapolis for the past two years, is spending his vacation in Lawrence and will be on hand to help us during the rushing season. He has been honored with the captaincy of the Fencing class at Annapolis for the coming year.

A number of our alumni have promised to be with us and several have announced that they have boys in sight, that will make good A. T. O's.

We are already planning to have a good delegation at the Birmingham Congress, several of our alumni say they are going along.

G. E. HAZEY.

MICHIGAN ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

June 14th brought to a close one of the most successful years in the history of Adrian College and one of equal success to Alpha Mu.

During the year the active membership reached the number of twelve—the largest in five years—and representing each department of the institution.

The chapter lost by graduation this June two very strong men, Bros. Riley and Ritchie. Bro. Riley graduated from the scientific department. Next year he will take up the work of the entertainment platform. Bro. Ritchie graduated from the musical department and will next year continue his musical education at the New England Conservatory of Music.

During the year the chapter has been represented very well in each of the athletic teams. During the baseball season the three positions of pitcher, short stop, and third base were played by Alpha Taus. An Alpha Tau also managed the team.

In Lambda Phi Literary Society Alpha Tau had two of the three presidents of the year.

In the elections for the staff of the *College World* for next year, Alpha Mu secured the Editor-in-chief-ship.

School will open September 15th, and it is expected that seven men will return.

F. GRAY.

MICHIGAN BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Beta Lambda starts the year under the most propitious circumstances, a comfortable home, fourteen old men and one pledge, and the chapter entirely free from any financial incumbrance.

Seven of our brothers were graduated last year and will be sorely missed. Several of them have already secured fine positions and are doing nicely.

Bros. Agnew, Bowles, Warner and Wadsworth spent the Summer in Europe and report a great time. Warner and Wadsworth graduated in June but will spend the rushing season with us.

The graduates entertained their guests at a house party during commencement week, and the time was spent very pleasantly.

Bros. Lathrop, Taylor, Riddell, and Bird added to the honors of the chapter in athletic lines by making their respective class teams during the last baseball season.

The graduates were guests of the underclassmen at a most enjoyable little farewell party given on the banks of the Auron River, just before Exam. week.

C. E. MILLER.

MICHIGAN BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE.

Last commencement day closed the most successful year Beta Omicron has passed through for many moons. With prospects for a good representation this Fall we are looking forward to a year of continued prosperity and increased prestige of the fraternity at Albion.

Two loyal brothers graduated in June whose places it will be difficult to fill. Bro. Arthur Cluff has accepted a position on the faculty of the Los Angeles School of Osteopathy, Los Angeles, California, and will have left for the West before this letter is in print. Bro. Samuel Leonard has taken up his ministerial duties at a charge in Nebraska. We will greatly miss these two brothers, who have both been loyal to the chapter and the fraternity through thick and thin.

For the first time in several years we will, in all probability, occupy a house this coming year. The plans are practically completed, at the present writing, and, unless something unforeseen turns up, our dreams of chapter house life—the true fraternity life—will be realized this Fall. We have scarcely enough men, at present, to entirely fill the house as several brothers live in the city, but we are confident that, before the spiking season is over, we will be able to fill a small house, to say the least.

We are highly elated over the interest shown, by our alumni, in the chapter rolls which we sent out in the Spring. We received a large number of very enthusiastic letters from men who have not communicated with the chapter since their graduation. It is indeed an untold pleasure to hear from these "old boys and we hope all of them will "loosen up." (I hope this term will not be misinterpreted to mean "loosen up financially"—for be it from me—though that would be a good thing, also) and let us know that they are at least in the land of the living. We have a great desire to know our alumni better and will welcome all of them, should they come to Albion, with open arms.

Our Spring "function," held at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Delas Fall, was a great success. Before the evening was half completed the pick of Albion's femininity were wearing the white tea-rose and swearing unbounded loyalty to the fraternity.

We return seven men this Fall and will have with us three pledgelings. We want every Tau who comes within travelling distance of Michigan to come and see us at Albion and partake of what hospitality we can bestow.

MARK H. FALL.

MISSOURI GAMMA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Summer finds the brothers of Gamma Rho scattered to the four winds, but all anxiously awaiting the time of returning. That is, all except those who will not be with us again, for Bros. Walborn and Fessenden donned the cap and gown and said farewell to their college days.

Since our last letter we have initiated two new brothers: Fred Lind—Law, '08; Tom Cook—Arts, '09. Lind was one of our charter members, but could not be present at the time of installation. He is expected to be one of the pitchers on the 'Varsity next year. Cook played halfback on the Freshman team, and is a member of the track team.

We enjoyed thoroughly the many kind letters of welcome received from the other chapters near the close of last year. They made us feel more than ever that our sister chapters are with us, and we are certainly for them.

Our prospects for next year and new men are flattering in every respect, and we hope to make it a memorable one. In addition, we are looking forward to the time we set sail for Birmingham.

DAVID J. MACKIE.

NEBRASKA GAMMA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

By the next issue of the PALM we will again be in school. From the reports that can be had all the brothers are enjoying themselves during the Summer but are very anxious to return. As one of them expresses it, "It is strange what a hold frat-house life takes upon a man. There is something charming about it that a man doesn't notice until he gets away. All the good fellowship and freedom is unnoticed until one gets home again—then he misses it. The frat-house and frat-men for me."

We expect about ten men back at the opening of the school year and must run along until Thanksgiving with just that number. The Inter-Fraternity Council has thought that it would be best to defer rushing until that date and then to accept such men that have passed their mid-semester exams. This we think is a good move for early rushing has a tendency to get undesirable men. However, our old material is "there with the goods" and we do not anticipate any struggle to keep at the front.

Bro. P. W. Metz graduated from the Law School and is now located in Basin, Wyo. Bro. H. L. Hollingworth, our Sigma Xi and Phi Beta Kappa artist, has been elected to be principal of the High School at Fremont, Neb. Bro. Fred C. Laird graduated from the Law School and is now located in Lincoln with Tibbets & Anderson, Attys. Bro. R. D. Conkling, our W. M. last year, graduated from the Dental College and is now at his home in Tekamah practicing his profession. Bro. Earnest Effort Sprague has graduated from the Law School but promises us that he will return occasionally to see that the "bunch" keeps in the straight and narrow path. He is now located at Selden, Kansas. Bro. Harry Giffin has accepted a position with the Black-foot Milling Co., at Bonner, Mont. Bro. Findly B. Howard is writing editorials for the Columbus *Telegram* this Summer and many of the hoodlers are feeling the thrusts of his vitrolic pen. Bro. Vard Smith is grinding out cases in his father's office at Livingston, Mont., but expects to be back and help push by the time school opens up. Bro. E. H. Johnson is punching sheep out in the wilds of Wyoming. Bro. Bob Campbell has been playing ball all Summer to better fit himself for the grid-iron this Fall.

Bro. Conk Conkling is to be back this year and keep things lively. Bro. Ronny Conkling, who has been with the Independent Telephone Co. of Lincoln, will be back again this year. Bro. Partridge has been out in Colorado on a survey all Summer.

Bro. Tufts, of Kansas Gamma Mu, visited us for a day just before the close of school. He was on his way to Niobrara, Neb., where he was engaged on a survey.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Van der Vries, Chief of the Third Province, and hope he will visit us often.

Next year we will be located in our new house at 226 North 26th street, and our latch string will be out for any and all wandering Alpha Taus.

J. R. CALEY.

WASHINGTON GAMMA PI—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

School opens September 24th, with an enormous registration in sight judging by correspondence from all parts of the country. The promoters of the Alaska, Yukon, Pacific Exposition have chosen the campus of the University of Washington as the site of the exposition in 1909. This fact has advertised the school very extensively. The chapter proposes to be on hand this Fall in full force and in improved quarters for the rushing season.

Bro. M. W. Taylor, '04, spent the Summer at the house working on plans for a State Alumni Association.

The Taus about Seattle with their lady friends and several prospectives had a big camping party for two weeks at Eagle Harbor.

Bros. Wilkinson and Thomas have been getting engineering experience in Alaska while others have been variously engaged in work and pleasures.

Those who have been about Seattle had the pleasure of a delightful visit from Brother A. W. McCord, Alabama Beta Beta, who is in the real estate business in Los Angeles. He had come to Portland to attend the wedding of Bro. F. W. McCord.

It is a great pleasure to find new Alumni moving into the state. We have been glad to make the acquaintance of Bro. C. E. Piper, Michigan Beta Mu, who has opened up a law office in the Union building at Seattle.

The outlook for the present year is very bright. Bro. Parker has been elected editor of the *Wave*, the college weekly. Bro. Crim is captain of the football team. Bro. Kennedy is President of the Ballinger Club, a law organization.

Just before the close of the school year Sigma Alpha Epsilon granted a chapter to a local bunch—bringing the total number of chapters up to eight in a student body of 650 men.

Bro. Chas. F. Hafford has very successfully launched out in the drug business of Stafford & Emerson, Cle Elum. He hopes to return later for some further work preparatory to medicine.

Bro. Mitchell after spending the Summer in the mountains has returned to his position as principal of the Fife School near Tacoma.

BRENT A. LINDSAY.

PROVINCE IV.

MAINE BETA UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MAINE.

It is with much pleasure that I am able to report Beta Upsilon chapter of A. T. O. in the best financial condition since its establishment at Maine. With the closing of this college year a great effort was made by the brothers to clean up all back bills with the result that we return this Fall to go on as never before.

At the annual meeting held at the chapter house this June, several matters of importance concerning the future welfare of A. T. O. at Maine were brought up for consideration and the interest shown on the chapter house fund especially, which were started some four years ago, goes to show what persistent work will accomplish. As the idea of raising this fund has been changed from time to time, it has now reached a point when few if any changes could be made to better things. At this writing some \$3,000 has been subscribed by a series of notes. With such rapid progress it will only be a few years that we may see our way clear to build upon one of the several sites that we now have the refusal of. It seems to be the sentiment of the brothers that our new home shall be of granite, something that every Tau may look upon with pride as a place where they would always be welcomed as they are now.

There was a time in A. T. O., beginning at Maine, that the members did not seem to fully realize the position they held as a chapter, but those days are past where lack of interest is shown as will be seen when nineteen men out of twenty-six return this Fall. The balance were lost by graduation, but that they are ever with us would be folly to question as they deserve more credit than we have shown them, but hope to show our appreciation of their good work whenever we may be fortunate enough to have them with us again.

This time of the year finds us scattered all over the country, but looking forward to what will be a most prosperous year. With the Congress coming this Fall and the first publication of the new song book we should be able to awaken enthusiasm which has never before been shown.

Although we may all have good reason to feel happy at the pleasant condition we are now in, we can still have our drawbacks which have proven rather disastrous in the past if we depend too much upon the reputation that Alpha Tau Omega has established in the fraternity world. Now that college is soon to open again, and we have lost a large number of faithful brothers whose tireless efforts have helped us greatly, as a whole, we find that new men must be pledged to fill their places from the very first so that we will fight as never before, for we are here to stay in the most promising college in the State, possible New England.

F. P. HOSMER.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA—COLBY COLLEGE.

It seems hardly possible that two months have gone by since we witnessed those pleasant and sad scenes of the commencement season, and that now the time is at hand when we must seek new men to take the places of those who have entered the larger fields of life. The lessons that we have learned from them and the pleasant memories of their sojourn with us but serve to stimulate us to seek those to take their places who shall bring honor to our great fraternity.

All of our members will be back, six Seniors, four Juniors, three Sophomores; and with these as a nucleus, we shall strive to add those from the Freshmen bunch whose first and foremost aim is for manhood and having sought men of that quality we need have no fear for our success.

V. RAY JONES.

MASS. BETA GAMMA—MASS. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

The M. I. T. school year ended about the first of June, and the brothers of Beta Gamma ended their first five months of fraternity life with a rousing social in our rooms on Westland Avenue.

The school year for 1906-07 will begin September 26th, and through the commendable efforts of Bros. Packard and Macomber during the Summer. I am pleased to state that Beta Gamma will increase the number of A. T. O. chapters having houses by one, and we are all anxiously anticipating the future benefits we will derive in our new home which will be in close proximity to the institute buildings.

During the Summer Bro. Macomber has been employed as Assistant Superintendent of the Waltham Gas and Electric Co. Bro. Elder has been Chemist for the Claremont Paper Co., of New Hampshire. Bro. Howe has been Assistant County Surveyor of Norfolk County, while Bro. Greene has been enjoying himself in Marshfield, Oregon, and Bro. Packard loafed at Cataumet, Mass., during August and September.

W. B. GONDER.

MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA BETA—TUFTS COLLEGE.

After having graduated the largest senior delegation known in our history, we start on the new year with our chapter roll decreased by ten. But we are very glad to say that many of the '06 brothers are still to be near us. Bro. Chester Hayes will be working for the New England Telegraph & Telephone Co., in Boston. Bro. Dr. Hayes will continue his studies at Tufts Medical School. Bro. Wyckoff will come back as leader of the Glee Club. Bro. Geo. S. Miller will return for his masters degree. Bros. Dix and Cousins will be instructors in the Engineering Department, and Bro. Currier will study law at Boston University. Such is our good fortune, and with their aid during the "rushing season" we are sure to obtain the best of men for Gamma Beta for the ensuing year.

Our class day and spread this year was one of the best ever seen at the college. Many "old grads" were back to see us and talk over old times. Nearly one hundred and seventy-five relatives and friends sat down to the spread held in the Upper Gym, which was prettily decorated with potted palms.

Our Senior Farewell Supper, which brings us together as the Fraternity of '06, for the last time, was held at the house this year. We enjoyed a very pleasant evening and had with us Bros. Bodge and Atsatt, '05, and Bros. Wren and Hersey.

By the time of publication of the September PALM, we will have initiated into our chapter Carl P. Hubbard, of Woburn, Mass.

At the June election of the honorary societies, Bro. W. C. Warner was made a member of the Tower Cross, a senior society, and Bro. Howard E. Cousins was made a member of Sword and Shield, a sophomore society.

GEORGE S. CUMMINGS.

RHODE ISLAND GAMMA DELTA—BROWN UNIVERSITY.

In reviewing the past college year, Gamma Delta feels that it has been a successful one for her chapter and looks forward to strengthening her group this coming Fall. During the Summer our rooms have been renovated and our work of securing good men for our freshman delegation well under way.

We have been very fortunate in our representations in college activities during the past Spring, Bro. Walsh managing the 'Varsity baseball team, and Bros. King and Nourse at second base and pitcher respectively, winning their "B's."

Bro. Wright captured the track team, and Bro. Fowler was leader of the musical clubs.

At the time of writing there is some doubt as to the return of Bro. Harry Ehmpé who was full back in our 'Varsity last Fall, and who may enter University of Michigan this Fall.

By graduation we have lost Bros. Briggs, Fowler, Butler, Gilman, Walsh, and Wright. Bros. Waters, '05, and Clark, '04, will again be with us as graduate students.

HOWARD S. YOUNG.

VERMONT BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The past year has been, for Beta Zeta, one of joy, love, and prosperity, and the new college year, which has just commenced, promises to be one to be long remembered by all the brothers.

The chapter lost by graduation five loyal, jolly Taus, Bros. Wood, Edwards, Gutchell, Merrihew, and Robinson, and although Beta Zeta hopes

to replace these five brothers with more than five fine, new Taus, this Fall, she will never forget, or cease to speak of these five jolly, hard working brothers.

Graduation passed off in great shape, and the spread which took place in our own rooms on "fraternity night," was a big success. Beta Zeta truly thanks the Alumni for turning out as they did, and heartily wishes that the number be increased this next year.

During the Summer the boys are all putting in their work, working hard and looking forward to the time when we will all be together again.

Two of the old boys, Bros. Bowen and Walton, are expected back this year, and two new men are practically pledged. Good, hard work is going to make this a great year, boys.

It is our sad duty to chronicle the death of a well-loved brother. On Wednesday, July 4th, Bro. Bert Sudler died suddenly in the Salisbury Hospital, Salisbury, Md. Bro. Sudler was a member of the Class of 1905, of this college, but was forced to leave school before completing his course on account of an attack of typhoid fever. On the last day of June he was perfectly well, and was ill with appendicitis but four days. The loss to the chapter is great, and his memory will ever be held sacred by the members of Beta Zeta.

R. A. SPENCER.

PROVINCE V.

NEW YORK ALPHA LAMBDA—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

With the fellows scattered to the four corners of the country for their Summer vacations it is not easy to write anything about their "doings" as a unit. It must all be either retrospect or prospect. And there is nothing that so quickly dissipates our powers of retrospection as a good loaf in the present, with no thought of dull gray text-books, nerve-racking Exams. and Profs. with a sleep-producing drawl. Even the memories of many a jolly "skate" seem almost like forgotten dreams somewhere far off in the dim and distant past.

But for prospects we are strong in these golden Summer hours. Everything conspires to make us sanguine of the days to come and confident of the achievements that lie just over the border land of the present, awaiting our mood to pick them up and claim them all our own. We hope that the prospects we see for A. T. O. at Columbia during the coming year are not all born of the subtle spirit of our rosy dreams. In fact we know that they are as substantial as they are bright.

In the first place, while individually we have been chasing the phantom of Summer delighst from ocean to ocean, collectively we have moved into a larger, more commodious and more elegant abode, where we are looking for-

ward to many a happy hour together, and where we hope to gather about us many another good and loyal A. T. O. The Spring Exams. played havoc with our roll of members by removing from our active list by graduation six men—Bros. Brunner, Dixon, Short, Springs, Wells and Wiggin. But those that remain constitute a strong and enthusiastic chapter, eager to repair as best they may by their own activities the loss which the natural course of events has brought to them.

Two men are already pledged; these will be led before the shrine as soon as college flares her portals. We have already learned of one good transfer who is to fall to our lot, and we have in view several "possibles" if not "probables."

We beg to introduce to our brotherhood at large our new Bro. Charles Rivers Carrall, '09, of Mt. Vernon, New York. Bro. Carrall was initiated near the close of last session and is already an enthusiastic Alpha Tau.

HOWARD LEE MCBAIN.

NEW YORK ALPHA OMICRON—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Omicron enters into college life this Fall with renewed vigor. While handicapped by the loss of Bros. Lewis, Hurlbert and Crane, who graduated in June, and by the loss of Bro. J. C. Martin, '08, who enters Brown this Fall, we still have a good bunch of men for the rushing season and hope to have our usual good fortune in pledging freshmen.

A movement for raising a club-house fund was started in New York last June. The New York Alumni Association held a meeting at the Hotel Astor on the evening of June 22d, and adopted plans for raising a sum sufficient to build a club-house for Alpha Omicron. A committee of five, of which Bro. Geo. Partridge, '96, is chairman, has charge of the work, and success seems sure. Bro. Partridge has travelled extensively the Summer to visit the alumni and obtain their co-operation. About \$1,200 was subscribed at the meeting in New York. The plan is to lay the corner stone at the next commencement, and to have the building completed and ready for use by the following year.

The Semi-Centennial Anniversary of the establishment of St. Lawrence University was appropriately celebrated at commencement. Great crowds of alumni and friends gathered to participate in the festivities of the week. Alpha Omicron was well represented, and the active chapter was highly praised for its help in entertaining the visitors. On this occasion the new Carnegie Science Hall, presented to St. Lawrence by Mr. Andrew Carnegie, was dedicated.

Great enthusiasm was shown by our alumni who were present at our Annual Alumni Banquet, held in the chapter house on Monday evening of commencement week. The usual Alpha Tau spirit prevailed and made the evening one never to be forgotten. Bro. Harry Conkey, as toastmaster, introduced the toasts in an entertaining manner and left no long pauses

between them. All spoke well, the alumni especially expressing their approval of the chapters present condition. Bro. Ford, for the chapter, spoke of its present needs and hopes for the future. It was early morning before the greatest banquet in the chapter's history came to a close.

GEORGE C. TERRY, JR.

NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The recall has sounded and once more we seize our carpet-bags and flock back to the halls of learning. We have been quite widely separated during the Summer months; several of our number have been abroad, while the others have distributed their persons as judiciously as possible about our own country. Nevertheless, we are all glad to get back, tired of resting and glad to get back for work, or tired of work and glad to get back for a rest. Best of all is the sight of the familiar faces; even Bro. Hannon, who has sent in so many false alarms during the past two years, still adorns the picture.

In all, twenty-one return this year. Bro. Deeter, unfortunately for us, has decided to take a peep into the business world, and will not be with us. Brother Armstrong, who was forced to withdraw from the university early last year, owing to illness, has signified his intention to return; we are very glad to welcome him back.

The close of the college year of nineteen-five to six found us in excellent condition, one disappointment marking this period; Bro. Hooper was taken suddenly ill and was forced to give up his seat in the 'Varsity four.

Bro. Trube kept up his good work on the track, finishing a very close second in the two mile race at the intercollegiate meet.

Bro. Hannon, our lone architect, carried away several prizes in competitions, both in the university, and in a much wider field at New York.

Bro. Knibloe took part in the comedy presented by the Masque during Senior week.

Several of our alumni were back at commencement time, among them Bros. Bailey, '96; Richards, '96; Affeld, '96; William Truman and Herbert Dole. Bro. Affeld was booked to play third base on the Alumni nine in the game with the 'Varsity, but sustained an injury in practice and was prevented from participating.

LAWRENCE KNIBLOE.

PA. ALPHA PI—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

This letter to the PALM comprises chiefly the detailed honors which the Fates have so abundantly bestowed upon Alpha Pi during the commencement season. All but one of our six seniors captured scholarship honors, but to such honors they were not limited. Bro. Irwin received first honor, being awarded a Magn cum laude; Bros. James and Morgan took

Honorary Orations; and Bros. Blankenbuehler and McFarland received Orations. We do not mean to insinuate that Bro. Hays, the sixth graduate, who received no special honor, is not worthy of special mention. On the contrary, he is known throughout college as a "longhead" and athlete, and has always held an enviable reputation in each line of college activity.

Our seniors also figured conspicuously in all of the events of the week. Bro. McFarland, as chairman of the Hop Committee, covered his little corpus with glory by his clever work in engineering the Annual Senior Picnic and by his imposing presence as leader of the Senior Promenade. Bros. James and Irwin as Donor and Prophet respectively, amused a large audience on Class Day. Among the ten speakers chosen for commencement morning were Bros. Irwin and McFarland. Three of our men were announced as prize winners on this occasion. Bro. Irwin received the first Economics prize of \$50; Bro. Blankenbuehler was awarded the second Chemistry prize of \$25; and Bro. D. M. Donaldson the second Classical prize of \$25. Our two juniors, Bros. Richardson and D. M. Donaldson, were among the seven competitors in the Junior Oratorical Contest. "The latter was admittedly the easiest and best speaker on the floor, and had he found time to work up a more suitable subject than the one he handled, would readily have carried off the silver cup."

Our prospects for the new year are good, considering that we have lost six excellent men by graduation. For the convenience and amusement of our members and their lady friends, we have again taken the initiative among the fraternities in W. and J., and laid off a tennis court near our house. As the location of this court is central, girls plentiful, and A. T. O.'s popular, there is no question as to the coming popularity of the place.

We are also glad to state that Bro. McDonough, one of the "Fathers" of our chapter will again serve as assistant professor in Chemistry at W. and J. this year, after having completed a Summer course at Columbia.

WM. W. DONALDSON.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

After a most prosperous year for the chapter, Alpha Rho brothers are now scattered over all parts of the country, engaged in as many varied pursuits. Bros. Smull, Vockrodt, Barwis, Underwood, and Burke, our 1906 graduates, are already launched on their careers in the engineering world. Bros. Dudley, Bressler, and Digby will not return for next years' college work. Bros. Gaumer, King, and Dietrich, all of whom were absent last term, are here attending Summer school, and the rest are spending their vacations, preparing, we feel sure, for the rushing season at the opening of the regular term in September.

Bro. Hesse was elected President of the Mining Society at their annual spiel and is also business manager of the *Brown* and *White*, our college semi-weekly. Bro. Morsack is assistant manager of the baseball team and

treasurer of the Mining Society for the ensuing year. Bro. King will represent us on the board of editors of the *Lehigh Burr*. Bros. Wilcox and Smith made Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering fraternity, in acknowledgement of their excellence in scholarship.

Commencement week was a period of great festivity for the chapter as well as the college, it being the anniversary of our re-establishment. Our house-party proved an unqualified success, owing to the enthusiastic body of Alpha Tau girls who graced the occasion by their presence, and who declared that the university, chapter house, and brothers collectively were "too sweet for anything." Probably the most enjoyable feature of this delightful week was the hop and supper given by the undergraduate brothers to the members of 1906.

For the first time since our re-establishment, fraternities at Lehigh will be allowed to initiate men immediately upon the matriculation, while, heretofore, we were not allowed to pledge freshmen until after Thanksgiving vacation. This change will greatly shorten the rushing period, and we are expecting and preparing for a strenuous campaign during the opening weeks under the leadership of our new W. M., Bro. Hesse.

HAYWOOD FAISON.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA IOTA—MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

Alpha Iota begins the new year with the confidence inspired by a very successful past year. The events of commencement week tell more effectively than words that Alpha Iota maintains a high standing both in scholarship and athletics. Two of the seven men graduating with honors were Alpha Taus. Three out of the five prizes awarded on commencement day, namely—the Senior Philosophical Prize, the Sophomore Prize for general scholarship and the Freshman Essay Prize were captured by Alpha Iota.

In the Interclass Track Meet held during commencement week, A. T. O. captured both first and second prizes for the highest number of points scored by individuals.

The prospects for the new year are bright. Although we lost five good men by graduation almost all the undergraduate brothers will return.

S. J. BOYER.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA UPSILON—GETTYSBURG.

Pa. Alpha Upsilon has just passed through a most prosperous and enjoyable year. Commencement week however served as the climax of the year for Alpha Taus at Gettysburg. On Tuesday evening, June 12th, the chapter held a dance in the house, at which time many out of town friends were present. We had the large porch at the rear of the house hung with

Japanese lanterns and furnished with many easy chairs. This proved one of the most popular places of the evening. The front porch was fitted up in the same manner. Both first and second floors were used for dancing, and so made plenty of room and made it quite cool. Everybody pronounced this the greatest success of the season.

On Wednesday night we held our annual banquet at the Gettysburg Hotel. At that time we had quite a number of the alumni with us. Bro. Victor Frey, of Philadelphia, acted as toastmaster in the absence of Bro. Jones. Among those called on for toasts were Senator Lofean, "Bill" Hartman, Chas. Emmert, Rev. Chas. J. Bikle, Nicklas and J. N. Hartman. F. M. Bortner also responded very forcibly when called on.

Among the Alpha Taus in Gettysburg during commencement week were Wm. H. Hartman, H. B. Hartman, Victor Frey, Jacob Diehl, F. M. Bortner, Rev. C. G. Bikle, Dr. H. A. Spangler, Arthur D. Bacon and W. H. Menges.

C. L. S. RABY.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Once again we greet our brothers in A. T. O. at the beginning of another college year, and as usual on such occasions there is little to be said. We are at the same old address and hope that with the progress of the year we will be able to give any visiting brothers better entertainment, as we hope to add to the new furniture which we installed last year. We lost seven of our members by graduation, but although their loss is keenly felt and we almost feel that "We ne'er shall see their like again," we expect to grow in membership and strength in complete fulfillment of the promise our early success has made. Bros. MacElwain, Hopkins, Bond, Weissenfluh, Griffith, Latimer and Snyder have gone out into the outer darkness, but although they have left college, they have not left A. T. O., and perhaps have only found a larger field of usefulness. Bro. Weissenfluh has become a benedict, and we feel a little tinge of jealousy for the new "Fraternity" which he has joined, and this feeling grows into one of foreboding when we notice certain symptoms among others of the "Grads" which makes us sure that the parson will get them too if they don't watch out.

A. E. SWOYER.

PROVINCE VI.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

As the Summer is nearly over we begin to look over our prospects. Our chapter stands in a fairly good condition. We return in September about seven or eight men and are counting on getting no less than five men. This

will give us a large chapter as all the fraternities in college have comparatively few men owing to the one year rule of the university.

During the Summer a good deal of money has been paid on the chapter house debt and there now remains very little to be paid.

Bros. McNeill and Sutton are very promising candidates for this Fall football team.

During commencement week we were glad to have Bros. McRae, Lewis, Hearth, Worth, and Giles pay the chapter a visit. Most of the chapter remained for the annual gaieties of commencement and enjoyed a most pleasant time.

We have our annual initiation on the seventeenth of September and would be glad to have any brother come to Chapel Hill and see the job well done.

JAS. T. MCADEN.

NORTH CAROLINA XI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

The close of the Summer vacation brings us back once more eager to resume our various studies and to do all in our power to further the interests of Alpha Tau Omega. Our prospects are very bright for a successful year. We already have in view several new men that we think are worthy of wearing the cross and hope to be able to get the most desirable men of the Freshman class. This last year we lost by graduation Bro. R. G. Baldwin. All the other Bros. expect to return to college and will start off with bright prospects for a successful year.

Commencement week was a very enjoyable one with Alpha Taus. On Monday evening we gave a "Moonlight" picnic that was one of the most enjoyable occasions we have ever had. Then on Tuesday evening came our annual banquet which proved to be a great success from every standpoint and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

FRED FLOWERS.

VIRGINIA BETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

With the greatest of pride do we offer our first letter to the PALM and I am sure it will prove as great a satisfaction to the alumni to see Virginia Beta again so represented.

We were invited to the Final Cottillion given by Phi Kappa Psi the night of June sixteenth, which proved to be a very pleasant occasion. At the Final Ball, the Alpha Tau Omega badge decorated with forty electric lights was used along with the other fraternity representations to adorn the walls.

Bro. Johnson was elected Captain of the 'Varsity baseball team for the year 1907. He will also hold the office of vice-president of the Senior Academic Class. Bro. Kagay will be business manager of the *University Touchstone*, a humorous magazine, a "Monthly Dish of College Life," for the

year 1906-07. Bro. Iden will be editor of *University Touchstone*, assistant editor of *Southern Collegian*, the literary magazine, and an editor from the Senior Class of the *Calyx*, the annual, for year 1906-07.

We expect to have all our men back and intend to do a flourishing business. It is our intention never again to see the flag of Alpha Tau Omega lowered from the towers of Washington and Lee University.

V. GILMORE IDEN.

VIRGINIA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

As far as we can tell at so early a date Virginia Delta's prospects for the coming year are very bright. We only lost one man by graduation last year, Bro. Trimble, and for that reason should have all of our old men back except him. Bro. Smythe who was not with us last year on account of ill health is expected to return this year for his B. A. degree. Aside from that we have heard of several goats for the Fall that declare their desire to become A. T. O's.

How and where the brothers have spent the Summer would be hard to say. Most of them have been at their homes during the early part of the Summer and then have spent the latter part of it in the mountains. I met seven in the mountains of North Carolina, and we had quite a reunion.

With the return of the expected old men and the addition of a few good goats Virginia Delta should be in as good shape next year as at any time during her history.

W. P. HERBERT.

PROVINCE VII.

OHIO ALPHA NU—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

Inasmuch as the boys have been rather scattered this Summer it is difficult to compose a letter at this time that is truly a chapter communication. Alpha Nu has been doing things individually this vacation; when school opens we will work in common again. Our number to begin with this Fall will be rather small. Three of the boys—Friend, Schultz and Greenameyer, go to Ohio State University; E. F. Rhodes will enter Case School, Cleveland, Ohio; Don Smith will attend Virginia Institute; Wallace goes into business; Jenkins and Monahan will teach; McCormack and Ruth will be in for post graduate work, and Benj. Irwin will return to finish his course. Of the old men Pennel, H. A. Rhodes, Fleming, Hobson, and Smith will all return.

Harvey Snyder will coach the Oberlin football team this Fall.

Herman Carr who suffered a severe accident in basketball last Winter is still using his crutches.

James D. Hobson is now filling some official position in the Independent Telephone Company.

FRANK W. SMITH.

OHIO ALPHA PSI—WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

The end of the Summer vacation has about come to an end, and soon we hope all to be gathered around the same "old fire-place" telling tales of Summer experiences and devising some plans by which we can "spike" the "Creme de Mint" of the August bunch of Freshmen.

All the brothers will be back this year with the exception of Bros. Diehl, Ridgely and Freas. Diehl will enter Yale this Fall, while Bro. Ridgely will go to France to finish his musical education. Bro. Ridgely has gained himself prominence as a violinist.

We have the brightest prospects this Fall we have had for several years, with eleven good men to return.

We are expecting to remove our home this Fall. We are on the look for a more modern house. The present one is very comfortable, but we feel that we could profit by a change.

Wittenberg is going to be on the "boom" this Fall with three large gifts netting about \$300,000 in the last two years, and the Carnegie Science Hall being built, ought to bring some good men there this Fall.

C. DALE CHRISTIE.

OHIO BETA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since my last letter to the PALM, the commencement of our University has occurred, and the consequent scattering of the brothers. The close of the college year witnessed our annual commencement banquet which this year took place at Hotel Majestic, Marion, Ohio. The banquet was a grand success. Fitly chosen toasts were well responded to. Bro. Lieut. Clarence M. Condon, one of our last year's initiates, presided as symposiarch. An electric car of the Columbus, Delaware and Marion Railway had been chartered by the chapter, and carried the brothers to and from Marion. The only thing that tended to mar the pleasure of the evening was the thought that some of the brothers would not return to Delaware for the following year. The chapter lost by graduation the following: Wilkin T. Jones, Alexandria, Ohio; Fred N. Alden, Delaware, Ohio, who begins this Fall, an advanced course in Cornell along the lines of Electrical and Mining Engineering; Earl C. McClure, Delaware, Ohio, who will be engaged this year in some extensive surveying work in the State of Kentucky.

During the Summer, I have heard from almost all of the last year's chapter roll and with the exception of a couple, all seem very optimistic with regard to the prospects of their returning to Delaware. So we are hoping for another year as successful as the one just past, with a similar wish for the welfare of every chapter of the fraternity.

In behalf of the local chapter, I desire to extend an earnest invitation, to any brother who may happen into Delaware, to call upon us at our home at the corner of Central and Franklin streets.

J. Paul Thompson, '03, who last June received his degree from Western

Reserve Law School and passed the state bar examination at Columbus about the same time, begins the practice of law in Cleveland, this Fall.

Dean F. Brayton, '03, completes his course in Cincinnati Law School this year.

Albert J. Horn, '04, who for the past year has been principal of the Lorain High Schools, has accepted a valuable position with the Lorain Tube Works.

Samuel Huecker '04. will continue his pastorate at Eden, Ohio, and his post-graduate course in the Ohio Wesleyan School of Oratory.

GEO. R. KINGHAM.

OHIO BETA MU—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

We are about to begin what is expected to be the most prosperous year Wooster has ever had, and we expect to make it the same for Beta Mu. Although we only lost two brothers by graduation three or four of the brothers will be unable to return this Fall.

In athletics we expect to be as well represented as usual. We have four men who played on the football team last Fall and two more who are almost sure of positions, so our prospects are very bright for football. Bro. Lloyd, who is not only the star punter of the state, but also was one of the best college pitchers was again honored by being elected captain of the baseball team of 1907.

Commencement week was unusually enjoyable to Wooster Alpha Taus on account of the great number of the older brothers who returned to enjoy the weeks festivities. On "Commencement Eve," so to speak, all Wooster Alpha Taus, old and young, attended the Senior Farewell given by "Uncle George" and Mrs. Schwartz, which was voted by all as the most enjoyable of last years functions. Young's full orchestra furnished the music for those who desired to dance while games and other forms of amusement were furnished in the parlors below, for the older people and those who did not dance.

ARTHUR E. DIXON.

OHIO BETA OMEGA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Once again Ohio Beta Omega has the pleasure and good fortune to greet her sister chapters with her best wishes for their future.

We have been very successful this Summer, inasmuch as we have furnished our chapter room with elegant mission furniture, unaided by our alumni. Plans are now under way for the purchasing of furniture to equip the entire chapter house. The alumni are stepping forward and helping us in every way possible.

Our prospects for new men are not of the brightest, however, we are not discouraged as we expect plenty of material to pick from and hope to land several good men.

Bro. Van Atta, '08, who was formerly working on the Panama Canal has been with an engineering corps at La. Paz, Bolivia.

Bro. Bryan, '06, is now Superintendent of the Western Art Tile Works, at Tropica, Cal.

A. E. STEVENSON.

OHIO GAMMA KAPPA—WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter lost by graduation Harvey Berkes, Lou Englander, Ernest McKelvy, and Ralph Stickle. Bro. Berkes is continuing studies in the Medical Department of the University. Bro. Englander has gone into a law office. Bro. McKelvy has accepted a position as assistant in chemistry, at Purdue; and Bro. Stickle is in the newspaper business. A couple of others leaving school brings our number down to nine or ten. This material is all good, however, and we expect some valuable new men when school opens.

There is little of general interest occurring about the house now. But it is not deserted—four or five of our alumni living out there during the Summer,

J. H. DELLINGER.

PROVINCE VIII.

TENNESSEE ALPHA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN PRES. UNIVERSITY.

The Session of 1905-06 at S. P. U. closed very pleasingly. Most of the brothers stayed to commencement, which was a very pleasant and profitable one in every respect. The brothers who finished their work in the university all left with feelings of deep regret. Those of us who return this Fall still bear in our hearts deep feelings of regret that some of the brothers will not be with us this year. They have gone out to do their work in the world. We have a work to do in the university before we take up our work for life. We are glad that over half of the brothers will return this Fall, and we are also glad that we have such a nice room in which to gather. We hope to have the pleasure of entertaining some of the alumni of the chapter at the opening of school. Our rooms will be open for them and we shall extend them a royal welcome.

A. T. O. still does not lag behind in honors. On the Journal Staff, we have from Stewart Literary Society: Sparks, local editor, and Crosby, business manager; from Washington Irving Society, Guthrie, editor-in-chief. In athletics, Cheek, captain of basketball; Pollard, captain of baseball; Crosby, manager of baseball; Guthrie, captain of football.

Our sisters gave us a delightful picnic in return for the one we gave them. It was a very enjoyable occasion in every respect. It lingers as a very pleasant memory and will bind us all closer together in time to come.

We look forward to the coming session at S. P. U. with great interest, and it is useless to say that every A. T. O. will do his part toward making it a very successful year.

D. B. GREGORY.

TENNESSEE OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since our last letter, we have initiated John Puckette and Richard Gallraith, both of them Freshmen in the Academic Department.

Bros. Penich, C., and Penich, E., won the doubles in the handicap tournament and Bro. Penich, E., the singles. Bro. Shaffer was elected president of the Athletic Association and vice-president of the Class of '07. Bro. Penich, E., is one of the managing editors of the *Sewanee Purple* and vice-president of the Pi Omega Literary Society. Bro. McBee is the president of the same society. Penich, E., is business manager of the *Sewanee Literary Magazine*.

We lost several members by graduation in June last. Bro. Shaffer is president of the Senior German Club, and Bro. Sparkman of the Junior German Club.

C. M. PUCKETTE.

TENNESSEE PI—UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.

At this stage of our vacation we have so little to say that might interest our many other brothers who are possibly seeing the sights we are, that we will not detail them too closely.

We had intended to rent a chapter house this year, but it is impossible as no buildings are obtainable within suitable distance from the campus.

From all inclinations at present, we are certainly led to believe that the 1906-07 season is to be the most prosperous in the history of Pi Chapter.

We have already succeeded in pledging several new men, and these aided by the return of four Seniors, two Juniors and four Sophs., intend to accomplish much good.

Bros. Messick, Mobley, and Peoples will not be with us this year, but Bro. Peoples will affiliate with our chapter at Tulane.

Bro. Converse spent several weeks in the famous Sapphire country. Bros. Mayo and Cummings in the "Skyland" near Asheville. Bro. Gunther at New London, Conn., and at the Marlborough-Blenheim, and thence to the Rip Van Winkle region, where he is at present undergoing training for our '06 football team.

Bros. Shea and Peoples after returning from an Eastern trip to the numerous resorts are at present rustivating and recuperating on the celebrated "Idle Hour Farm" of East Tennessee.

Bros. Kelley and Mobley are at present prominently connected with the construction work of the Southern Railway from Chattanooga.

Bros. Bradley and Dudley Rummings have spent their vacation in Wester, North Carolina, and seem to have met with many calamities in the briars and brambles of that State.

Bro. Waller Carson for a while cruised the Great Lakes and is at present at the Royal Muskoko Hotel in Canada.

R. H. PEOPLES.

Official Correspondence.

THE WORTHY GRAND CHIEF.

To the Fraternity:

I wish through the PALM to call the attention of both the alumni and active members to the Congress to be held at Birmingham next holidays. This will doubtless be the largest Congress ever held, as it takes place in the midst of the South where our fraternity had its origin. I can not too strongly urge every member of the fraternity to so arrange his business as to enable him to attend this Congress. To my mind attendance on at least one Congress is necessary to the making of a complete Alpha Tau. We need the enthusiasm and earnest deliberation of the active members who are really and legally the fraternity and constitute its fighting force. We need as truly the counsel and assistance of the alumni, who have served their time but as reserves never take an honorable discharge.

Some important matters will come up for consideration. One is the law governing the organization of new chapters. It is the opinion of all the administrative officers that we need a law which, while conservative, shall nevertheless not be totally prohibitive of growth. Let all the chapters consider this matter during the coming three months. Consult with your alumni and discuss the proposition in a broad spirit of brotherhood, such as our order inculcates and our bonds demand.

E. P. LYON,
Worthy Grand Chief.

NOTICE.

The Worthy Grand Chief has appointed the Charles H. Elliot Co., Philadelphia, official engravers and stationers to the Fraternity. The firm is accordingly recommended to the patronage of the membership. Their advertisement appears on another page.

Correspondents will send Chapter Letters for December PALM immediately on receipt of this issue. The December issue goes to press November 1.



EDITORIAL.



THE BIRMINGHAM CONGRESS.

THE twentieth bi-ennial Congress of the Fraternity will convene in Birmingham, Alabama, on December 26, 27 and 28, 1906. This simple announcement conveys the only information now at hand, but the December issue will contain the detailed program which our Alabama brethren have prepared for our entertainment.

From all indications the Congress promises to be the largest convention the Fraternity has ever had. Fully a hundred have already informed us of their intention to be present and we shall not be surprised to see five hundred Alpha Taus gather at Birmingham. The committee has spared neither time nor money to make the event memorable in our annals. Their endeavors merit a veritable cloudburst of Alpha Taus in Birmingham in December.

The Congress will be the most important in several years. Grave problems call for final settlement. The policy of the Fraternity with reference to several matters of vital importance requires the earnest consideration of the delegates and members, and Alpha Taus should come prepared to give undivided attention to the legislation proposed.

The next PALM will be largely devoted to the Congress and the arrangements made for its entertainment. Likewise, an effort will be made to indicate along what line legislation is required. The issue will be placed in the mail promptly on December 1, so that those who expect to attend will have full information in amply time to enable them to perfect their arrangements for going.

WELCOME, VIRGINIA BETA.

THE High Council has done well in authorizing the revival of our hitherto defunct chapter at Washington and Lee University. Besides securing to the Fraternity a coterie of particularly strong men, the High Council has again decreed representation at an institution around which much of our early history and traditions cluster, and an institution of great merit and esteem.

Washington and Lee has made wonderful strides in the past decade and her constantly widening sphere of usefulness to the South and to the nation is a source of much gratification to those who have watched her career. Washington and Lee is now among the foremost educational institutions in the country and nothing can now effectually hinder her growth and development.

Alpha Tau Omega should be well received at Washington and Lee. Our second chapter was planted there and from its hall have come forth some of the best men the Fraternity ever enrolled. Virginia Beta, collectively and individually, made history for the Fraternity and our new brethren have been invested with a prestige which only diligence and usefulness can secure. We are confident that the nine young men already initiated, and the additional men which time will supply, fully appreciate the distinction thus conferred and will prove fully worthy of the trust confided.



THE SONG BOOK.

THIS office is so frequently in receipt of inquiries with reference to the long-promised Song Book that we are impelled to believe that there is a genuine and wide-spread need for a book of this kind. We are glad to note this; but the membership should be aware that the New York Congress made the subscription of enough copies to pay the expense of publication a condition precedent to the issuance of the book. It is therefore, up to the brethren. The manuscript is ready for the printer and the only bar to immediate publication is

the lack of enough subscriptions to insure the success of the venture. The committee has been most energetic in the performance of its duties and if the membership-at-large displayed the same energy we would before long be supplied with a Song Book unequalled in quality by similar works of any fraternity. We trust that the Chapters will take this matter up and communicate with the chairman of the Song Book Committee without delay.



MISCELLANEOUS.

THIS number of the PALM is somewhat smaller than the usual issue. This is due to the fact that our expense must be lowered in order that the publication may be made to pay for itself this year. This volume will be concluded with a larger issue in December.

Chapters should promptly report any shortage in the number of copies received and the matter will be speedily adjusted.

Initiates are charged with PALM dues from September to the end of the year. Their names should, therefore, be reported immediately so that copies of this number may be supplied before the edition is exhausted.

The articles by Bros. Hickok and Rugh are commended to the serious consideration of our active brethren. Both of them are most timely, and they will, no doubt, receive the appreciation which they amply merit. The Fraternity is under obligations to these alumni—both of them, very busy men—who have turned from life's earnest duties to advise their younger brethren in Alpha Tau Omega.

The following chapters failed to supply letters for this issue and have been fined in accordance with our Laws, viz: Ga. Alpha Zeta, Mich. Beta Kappa, Minn. Gamma Nu, S. C. Beta Xi, Tenn. Beta Pi, Tenn. Beta Tau. These Chapters marred a record achieved by having all Chapters represented by letters in three consecutive numbers. We had hoped to have all represented in this, the fourth number. But we humbly bow to the inevitable!

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December 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1906.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR DELEGATES AND VISITORS.

WE are pleased to present to the Fraternity the following information relating to the forthcoming Congress. Even a casual glance produces the conviction that our hosts have made good use of the two years allotted them in which to arrange for our coming. They have, indeed, spared neither time nor money in their efforts and we predict that they will more than fulfill every promise made by them at the New York Congress. The plans presented are practically final and with them as a basis, the success of the gathering is assured.

The Fraternity attained its fortieth birthday on September 11, 1905, and this being the first Congress to follow that date, the meeting will very naturally assume the character and proportions of an anniversary celebration. This fact alone is a potent reason why 500 Alpha Taus should assemble to pledge anew their unfaltering devotion to Alpha Tau Omega. Add to this, the program provided, the opportunity of again mingling with old and tried brothers and of meeting and knowing new ones, and of again participating in the deliberations of the fountain head of our great Fraternity and you will experience an irresistible impulse to be with your brethren at Birmingham.

The general program and other plans and arrangements follow and should be carefully read by all prospective visitors and delegates.

GENERAL PROGRAM.

WEDNESDAY, December 26th.

- 2.30 P. M. First Business Session, City Hall.
- 9.00 P. M. Congress Smoker, Hillman Hotel.

THURSDAY, December 27th.

- 9.30 A. M. Second Business Session, City Hall.
- 2.00 P. M. Third Business Session, City Hall.
- 9.00 P. M. Congress Ball, Country Club.

FRIDAY, December 28th.

- 9.30 A. M. Fourth Business Session, City Hall.
- 1.00 P. M. Congress Photograph, City Hall.
- 2.00 P. M. Public Exercises, City Hall.
- 5.30 P. M. Reception, private residence.
- 9.00 P. M. Congress Banquet, Hillman Hotel.

SATURDAY, December 29th

- 9.30 A. M. Fifth Business Session, City Hall.
- 2.00 P. M. Sixth Business Session, City Hall.
- 8 to 10 P. M. Theatre Party, Majestic Theatre.
- 10 to 12 P. M. Informal Dance, Country Club.

TRANSPORTATION.

Arrangements have been completed with the New England Passenger Association, the Trunk Line Association, the Central Passenger Association and the Southeastern Passenger Association, whereby all delegates and other members of the Fraternity will be allowed one and one-third rates. The above associations include all territory east of the Mississippi. Correspondence has been entered into with all the remaining railroad associations, and there is no doubt that the same rates will be secured from them also.

Persons expecting to attend the congress are urged to read carefully the instructions of the passenger associations printed below. It will greatly facilitate the work of the Transportation Committee for all those attending, to co-operate in this matter. We would especially request that all visitors coming from nearby points plainly specify that their tickets are purchased on account of the A. T. O. Congress, as a certain number of certificates are absolutely necessary in order to obtain corresponding rates in the future.

INSTRUCTIONS.

Through the courtesy of the lines constituting the..... Passenger Association, persons attending the Twentieth Biennial Congress of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, to be held at Birmingham, Ala., commencing Wednesday, December 26th, 1906, will be granted a reduction in their return railroad fare only, under the following circumstances and conditions :

FIRST. Each person must purchase, not more than three days prior to the date of the meeting (Sunday not to be counted a day), nor later than two days after the first day of the meeting (Sunday in this case to be counted a day), a first-class ticket, either unlimited or limited, to the place of meeting, for which he will pay the regular tariff fare of not less than 75 cents, and upon request the ticket agent will issue to him a standard certificate of such purchase properly filled up and signed by said ticket agent.

SECOND. If through ticket can not be procured at the starting point, the person will purchase to the nearest point where such through ticket can be obtained, and there purchase through to place of meeting, requesting a standard certificate, properly filled out by the agent at the point where each purchase is made.

THIRD. It is absolutely necessary that a certificate be procured, indicating that full fare of not less than 75 cents has been paid for the going journey. It likewise determines the route via which the ticket for return journey will be sold, and *without it no reduction will be made*, as the rules of the individual lines provide that "No refund of fare can be expected because of failure of the parties to obtain certificates."

FOURTH. It has been arranged that the special agent of the railways be in attendance to vise certificates on..... You are advised of this, because if you arrive at the meeting and leave for home prior to the special agent's arrival, you can not have the benefit of the reduction on the home journey ; or if you arrive at the meeting after the special agent has left, you can not have your certificate vised for reduced fare returning. *No claim for refund will be entertained on account of holders of certificates returning to original starting point before the requisite number of one hundred certificates is in the hands of the special agent of the railways.*

FIFTH. Tickets for the return journey will be sold by the ticket agents at the place of meeting at one-third the first-class limited fare, only to those holding standard certificates signed by the ticket agent at point where through ticket to the place of meeting was purchased, countersigned by the secretary or clerk of the convention, certifying that not less than one hundred persons holding standard certificates are present, and that the holder has been in attendance upon the convention, and vised by a validation paster affixed at the meeting by special agent of the railways.

SIXTH. For meetings held at points in the territory of the..... Passenger Association, to defray expense of special agent provided for the purpose of vising certificates entitling persons to whom issued to purchase return tickets at the reduced basis indicated in preceding paragraph, the special agent at time of validation will collect from the holder of each certificate vised a fee of twenty-five cents.

SEVENTH. Tickets for return journey will be furnished only on standard certificates procured not more than *three days* before the meeting assembles, nor later than *two days* after the first day of the meeting (Sunday to be counted a day), and will be available for continuous passage only; no stopover privileges being allowed on tickets sold at less than regular unlimited fares. Certificates will not be honored if presented for return tickets more than *three days* after the date of adjournment of the convention. It is understood that Sunday will not be reckoned as one of the three days, either before the opening date or after the closing date of meeting. No certificate will be honored if issued in connection with children's half fare tickets, mileage, round-trip tickets, on account of Clergy, Charity, Employees, or at less than regular agreed full first-class fare.

EIGHTH. Ticket agents will be instructed that excursion fares will not be available unless the holders of certificates are properly identified, as above described, by the secretary or clerk, on the certificate, which identification includes the statement that one hundred or more persons, who have purchased full fare tickets of not less than 75 cents each, for the going passage, and hold properly receipted standard certificates, have been in attendance at the meeting, and by validation paster bearing stamp and signature of special agent of the railways. A violation of the rules in certifying that the stipulated number was in attendance, when actually a less number of properly executed standard certificates was presented, will debar the offending organization from the further courtesies of the railways.

NINTH. The certificates are not transferable, and the signature affixed at the starting point, compared with the signature to the receipt, will enable the ticket agent to detect any attempted transfer. A transfer or misuse of certificates or tickets authorized under this rule will forfeit all privileges granted.

TENTH. A guarantee has been given to redeem at full fares any return tickets procured by persons in attendance at this meeting that may be found to have been transferred, misused or offered for sale.

N. B.—Please read carefully the above instructions, be particular to have the certificates properly filled and certified by the railroad agent from whom you purchase your going ticket to the place of meeting, as the reduction on return will apply only to the point at which such through ticket was purchased.

CONGRESS TRAINS.

Following the usual custom certain trains will be designated as "Congress Trains," and members attending the Congress should arrange their plans so as to include passage on one of them. Not only is the tediousness of a long journey avoided, but it also affords an excellent opportunity for meeting and knowing a number of brothers before arrival at Birmingham. In the past the trips *en route* made in this manner have been among the most pleasant features of our congresses and we can not too strongly urge every prospective attendant to join the crowds that will wend their way into Birmingham in this way.

Those from the East and North and points South should arrange to connect with the Southern Railway train leaving Washington, D. C., on December 25th, at 11.15 A. M. This train will be in charge of Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook, W. G. K. A., 2022 "P" Street, N. W. Washington, D. C., and he should be notified of your coming before December 20th. This train passes Greensboro, N. C., Atlanta, Ga., and other points South where Southern members should connect. Northern and Eastern brethren may connect by leaving Boston, December 24th, 8 P. M.; New York, December 25th, 12.10 A. M., and Philadelphia, December 25th, 6.35 A. M.

Members from Cleveland and vicinity, including Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, etc., will take train in charge of Louis Englander, secretary of the Cleveland Alumni Association, Garfield Building, Cleveland, Ohio. He should be notified as soon as possible.

* Members from the West and Northwest and all going *via* St. Louis should notify Dr. E. P. Lyon, W. G. O., Grand Avenue and Caroline Street, St. Louis, Mo., who will arrange for a special from that point.

Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois and all brothers going *via* Chicago, should inform Bro. S. B. Williams, secretary of the Chicago Association, 144 Warren Avenue, Chicago, Ills.

Bro. Wm. A. Bell, Denegre Building, New Orleans, La., has charge of the New Orleans special and he, too, must be promptly notified of your coming.

Those coming from Southwest points will communicate with Bro. George W. Mitchell, W. G. S., Commerce and Fields Streets, Dallas, Texas, regarding connections with his train.

Further and more specific instructions will be later mailed to all chapters and alumni associations and to any other who may desire them.

HOTELS.

Official headquarters of congress delegates is the Hotel Hillman, corner Fourth Avenue and Nineteenth Street. A special rate of \$1.00 per day has been arranged for all delegates to the extent of accommodations afforded by the hotel, the proprietor reserves the right to place more than one delegate to a room, but to be accommodated with separate beds. A limited number of rooms with bath are to be provided for the Grand Officers and wives, members of High Council, Provincial Chiefs, etc., rate to be \$2.00 per day for rooms occupied by two persons. In case the number of delegates exceed the accommodations of the Hotel Hillman, arrangements have been provided at neighboring first-class hotels to take care of additional delegates at same rates.

First-class cafe service will be available at Hotel Hillman, the official headquarters and in immediate vicinity at reasonable rates.

All delegates and other brothers are urgently requested to write exactly when they expect to arrive in Birmingham, so that they may be met and hotel accommodations reserved. Address, L. H. Putnam, secretary, No. 2016½ Second Avenue, Birmingham, Ala.

PUBLIC EXERCISES.

Musical preparations are under way looking forward to making our public exercises a memorable feature of the congress. Bro. Robt. W. Bingham, of Louisville, Ky., the Congress Orator, is too well known to require any eulogistic comment; that his address will be both able and entertaining goes without saying. Our distinguished brother, Governor Duncan C. Heyward, of South Carolina, has been invited



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(Where Business Sessions of 20th Congress will convene.)

to make one of the addresses of response. Hon. William C. Fitts, whose address before the Sixteenth Congress at New Orleans was so favorably received, is expected to take a prominent part in the public exercises. The address of welcome on behalf of Birmingham will be in the hands of the Governor of Alabama, the Hon. W. D. Jelks. The various other addresses will be in keeping with the above standard.

THE FOUNDERS.

One of the greatest privileges of those attending the Twentieth Congress will be to meet our revered founder, the Rev. Dr. Otis W. Glazebrook, of Elizabeth, N. J., whose presence has been an inspiration at all former reunions. It is earnestly hoped that our other remaining living founder, Judge Erskine Ross, of the Supreme Bench, of California, may find it in his power to also attend. A special committee has been appointed to arrange for his presence, which seems indispensable at this congress, the fortieth anniversary of the birth of the glorious order of the Maltese Cross.

PLACE OF MEETING.

By special act of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, the A. T. O. Fraternity has been invited to hold their business sessions and public exercises of this congress in the Council Chamber of the Birmingham City Hall. The City Hall is located immediately opposite the official headquarters, Hotel Hillman, and will be most convenient of access.

BANQUET.

The banquet has been set for Friday night, December 28th, in exception to the usual rule of making the banquet the closing event of the last night. This was done so as to prevent the date for the banquet from coming on Saturday night. This banquet will be made one of the most enjoyable features of the convention, and it is earnestly hoped that all visitors will arrange to be present.

NOTES.

In making the arrangements for entertaining our visitors it was learned that Richard Mansfield had been booked to appear at the Jefferson Theatre, on the night of December 26th, 1906, but Manager Douglas informed us that it would be impossible to reserve for us a block of seats for our delegates and visitors as such an arrangement would seem an unfair discrimination against his regular local patronage. It is expected however, that many of the visitors will avail themselves of seeing one of America's greatest actors, therefore, a smoker at the Hillman Hotel on that night will begin late so as to give every one an opportunity of attending it after the theatre.

Just as at previous congresses a varied assortment of A. T. O. souvenir buttons will be furnished free of charge by certain of the fraternity jewelers.

The courtesies of all of the social clubs, the Y. M. O. A., etc., will be extended to our visitors during their stay.

It is absolutely necessary that the remaining unheard from chapters respond to the request of the Birmingham Alumni Association for pennants or banners of their respective institutions. Several of the chapters have failed to send them as yet and we take this opportunity to urge them to attend to the matter at once and send the banners immediately to the association's secretary, L. H. Putnam, 2016½ Second Avenue, Birmingham, Ala. For the best effect chapter initials should be attached to these pennants.

It will be noted that the program as outlined above provides a four day's session. This is an innovation suggested by the experiences of some recent gatherings when the lack of time made deliberate action almost impossible. Ample time is now afforded for the transaction of our business and for social enjoyments.

The Southern chapters and alumni associations should immediately inform Bro. L. H. Putnam the number of men they expect to have present.

The Fraternity has three active chapters in Alabama, viz: Alpha Epsilon located at the Alabama Polytechnic



M. Y. DABNEY,
Transportation.



D. E. SHOAFF,
Social.



J. H. FRYE,
Finance,



J. L. DRENNEN,
Membership



HUGH MARTIN,
Banquet.



FORNEY JOHNSTON,
Entertainment

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Institute, Auburn; Beta Beta at the Southern University, Greensboro, and Beta Delta at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. All these will be well represented at the Congress. The last named is the nearest active chapter to Birmingham and accordingly is the "active host" of the gathering. For this reason a few illustrations of the University buildings were thought interesting and timely.

COMMITTEES.

The Birmingham Alumni Association has appointed the following committees which have charge of the arrangements for the congress:

MEMBERSHIP: J. L. Drennen, chairman.

HOTEL: Vassar L. Allen, chairman; Hugh Martin.

FINANCE: John H. Frye, chairman; Drennen, Shoaff, Martin, Erwin, Hayes.

BANQUET: Hugh Martin, chairman; Allen, Williams.

ENTERTAINMENT: Forney Johnston, chairman; Lupton, Allen, Martin, Brett Brown, L. C. Brown, Putnam, J. W. C. Johnston, Wharton, Pugh.

TRANSPORTATION: Manye Dabney, chairman; Barr, Bryant, Baugh, Clements, Elliott, Hannum, Hazzard.

SOCIAL: D. E. Shoaff, Erwin, Henley Smith, Wharton, Putnam, Lawson.

EXECUTIVE: W. D. Nesbitt, chairman; Drennen, Frye, Allen, Martin, Forney Johnston, Dabney, Shoaff, Putnam.

Norbert Wiener, eleven years old, the son of Assistant Professor Wiener, of Harvard, has entered the freshman class at Tufts, and is undoubtedly the youngest collegian in the United States. He was prepared to enter Harvard but was barred on account of his youth. Accounts of this prodigy say that he knew his alphabet when eighteen months old, began to read at three years, was reading Darwin and Huxley at eight, was graduated from Ayer High School last June, and that he intends to make the study of philosophy his specialty. —*The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.*

BIRMINGHAM'S CORDIAL INVITATION.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Oct. 27th, 1906.

To the Members of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity:

GREETINGS:—We have now arrived in prospective sight of the goal to which our endeavors have been centered for the past two years. While active progress has only been entered into during comparative recent months from members of our alumni association, it has been looking forward with the keenest pleasure to the entertaining of our National fraternity. A number of interesting and profitable meetings, both business and social, have been held at various times during the past few months—enthusiasm always at the highest pressure, has now reached a point at which it has become necessary to put on a heavy safety valve to keep things from blowing up.

We feel that Birmingham is thoroughly equipped, in every respect, for the entertainment of such a meeting as our Congress will be. With beautiful natural surroundings, prosperous business conditions, interesting industrial enterprises and processes, together with the social, educational and religious atmosphere for which Birmingham has always been noted, we feel that no moment of this event will be without interest.

The grand old hospitality of the South has become proverbial, yet we feel in this instance the customary expectations in relation to entertainment in a Southern city will not be adequate to the realization thereof.

A word about the feminine charms of our City and State, celebrated for many things, but for none more so than its gracious and fascinating sisters in Alpha Tau.

We realize that the standard set by other cities entertaining our former Congress has been a very high one, and it is with a feeling of pride that we promise that Birmingham will meet her obligations in a manner which shall leave nothing to be desired.



W. D. NESBITT,
President.



VASSAR L. ALLEN,
Vice-President.



L. H. PUTNAM,
Secretary.



CLARK WILLIAMS,
Treasurer.

OFFICERS.

BIRMINGHAM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION,
Alpha Tau Omega, 1906.

This Congress will be one of the most important held in many years. Not only will there be matters to be considered of the gravest interest to the fraternity's present and future welfare, but in consideration of the fact that this Congress marks the 40th anniversary of our organization would alone make it of vital interest to all loyal Alpha Taus.

It is earnestly hoped that many of the older alumni members of the fraternity may take advantage of this opportunity to renew their affiliation and revive old memories and acquaintances, and most emphatically to acquaint themselves with the present existing conditions of the Order and its hopes for the future.

Prospective visitors should read carefully the instructions to delegates given elsewhere in this issue. Further information may be secured by addressing the secretary of the alumni association.

You now have it in your power to meet the largest assembly of A. T. O's that has ever convened.

To each reader of this letter a cordial invitation is most heartily extended.

Trusting that we may have the pleasure of grasping your hand in the bonds of Alpha Tau Omega., we remain, Birmingham Alumni Association,

L. H. PUTNAM,
Congress Secretary.

SOME CONGRESS SONGS.

YANKEE DOODLE BOY.

Who's the bunch that sets things humming,
Who's the bunch that sure are coming?
That's Alpha Tau,
Hip, hip, hurrah.
Though we hail from distant places,
Here we see no stranger's faces,
Every man who rode our goat
Is welcome to the Congress.
We love to listen to the Dixie strain,
And long to see the girl we left behind us,
That's no kibosh,
We're from Malta, by Gosh!
Oh - say - can - you - see—
Anything about an Alpha Tau that's phoney?

We're the Alpha Tau Omega,
 Every man is tried and true.
 Real live workers for the Maltese Cross,
 Floating the gold and the blue.
 Though we come from northern mountains,
 Or where southern waters flow,
 Every man has crossed the desert
 Just to find the Palm tree.
 We are the sons of A. T. O.—*W. B. H.*



BEULAH LAND.

Our Order once was young and small,
 And lived within one chapter hall,
 But now she's old and very strong,
 For thousands now to her belong.

Oh, A. T. O. dear A. T. O.
 'Tis sweet thy secret joys to known.
 But sweeter far to obey the law,
 That governs thee, fair Alpha Tau,
 And causes thee, our queen, to stand,
 The noblest Order in the land.

Our fame has spread thro all the states,
 For which our rivals blame the fates,
 And every alien greatly longs
 To ride our goat and sing our songs.

—*C. W. Baker, Pa. Alpha Upsilon.*



BONNIE BLUE FLAG.

Stand up ye sons of Malta,
 Pour out the wine that's clear;
 We'll drink to our fraternity
 Whose name we hold so dear.
 Lift high your glasses, fellows,
 In love and loyalty—
 For here's success to Alpha Tau
 Good luck and victory.

CHO.—Hurrah, hurrah, for Alpha Tau, hurrah,
 For crescent d'or and stars, hurrah,
 The flag of Alpha Tau.

When college life is over
 And college days are past,
 The memory of Alpha Tau
 We'll cherish till the last,
 When scattered thro the nation
 Or countries far beyond,
 Our love for our fraternity
 Shall be our common bond.

And when we meet together
 In jovial company,
 The first toast and the last toast
 To Alpha Tau shall be.
 So fill your glasses, fellows,
 With wine of golden hue,
 And pledge we all to Alpha Tau
 Devotion strong and true.—*Adapted.*



WHEN THE RENT COMES ROUND.

There, little freshman, don't you cry,
 You'll be a frat-man, bye and bye,
 If you keep the laws, join the noblest cause,
 You will pledge to the Alpha Taus.
 Even the angels up in the sky,
 Listen, babe, I aint tellin' no lie,
 Traded off their harps of tin
 For an Alpha Tau Omega pin.

There little baby, don't say a word,
 Mammy's gwine to buy you a mockin' bird,
 Mockin' bird'll sing, when you pull his wing,
 Alpha Tau is just the thing.
 So, little freshman, don't you cry.
 You'll be a frat-man, by and by.
 If you join the noblest cause,
 You will join the Alpha Taus.—*Tenn. Omega.*



BLUE BELLS OF SCOTLAND.

Oh, where, and, oh where, are the dear old boys of yore,
 The boys whom we see not, nor hear their voices more?
 They've gone to fight life's battles upon life's stormy sea,
 But, oh, in our hearts, how we long their forms to see.

Oh, where linger yet the dear boys of long ago,
 The true hearted brothers we loved in A. T. O.?
 Ah, some are sweetly sleeping beneath the silent sod,
 Their love's in our bosoms, their spirits safe with God.

Oh, where, and, oh where, are the dear old boys of yore?
 How anxiously we ask that we see their faces more;
 But in the world above we may meet them all again,
 How blissful and joyous will be the meeting then.

—*H. E. Harman.*

CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEMS.

(An Editorial.)

THERE is every indication that the 20th Congress will be a working Congress. The program elsewhere printed provides ample opportunity for judicious discussion and intelligent action upon the many and varied subjects which may demand consideration. After all, Congress is something more than an occasional gathering of congenial spirits in social enjoyment. It is all of that, and it is much more. Congress is the legislature of Alpha Tau Omega and by it and through it must be worked out those plans and ideas which shall make the Fraternity true to the great objects for the attainment of which it was founded. It, therefore, behooves those who will attend and who recognize the obligation to faithfully perform those duties which those who are present owe to the vast majority who are absent, to take counsel with themselves and with each other in regard to such matters as may be proposed; to the end that whatever the final decision, it will be founded on reason, necessity and an enlightened sense of what truly conserves the best interests of the Order.

Just what propositions will be presented and in what form, the writer is unaware. The official reports will naturally produce new questions requiring solutions. Then, too, the unofficial member will raise new matters or old ones in a new or altered form. These unexpected subjects are beyond preparation and only the well informed can be expected to deal intelligently with them.

There are, however, some problems which are reasonably certain to demand attention and these it is our purpose to discuss briefly; not for the purpose of forming or altering opinions but rather to indicate along what lines the energy of the Congress will probably be directed.

Constitution. The failure of the New York Congress to take final action upon the report of the committee appointed

to revise our fundamental law places that item on the calendar of unfinished business. While it is true that no organization should undertake the revision of its basic regulations without due and serious consideration of its effect, yet it is equally true that uncertainty as to the nature of a law or as to how long it will remain in force always engenders irregularity, confusion and unobservance. Happily, this condition does not now confront us, but we are convinced that no good results can be attained by allowing this very important matter to pass without final disposition. Having no knowledge of the character of the new instrument we are not in a position to advocate either its rejection or its adoption, but we still believe that our welfare will be best conserved by speedy and final action in one way or the other.

Expansion. If action is taken on the proposed Constitution the method of admitting new chapters will undoubtedly produce discussion. Even so, the matter of expansion, generally and particularly, may be expected to occupy a large portion of the attention of the Congress,—unless the record of past Congresses is deceptive. Whatever personal opinions we may have must be reserved for expression at the proper place, but the Fraternity will make no mistake if it puts this vexed question to final rest.

Song Book. The fraternity needs a Song Book. Every Alpha Tau who has attended a recent fraternity function can attest to this great necessity. The manuscript for a Song Book has been ready for the printer for a long time, but its publication has been restrained by the failure to secure sufficient advance subscriptions to cover its probable cost. In our opinion—and we speak from experience gained in this office—the great crying need of the Fraternity at this time is a Song Book, and the time has arrived when Alpha Tau Omega should have the book no matter what it costs. The advance subscription plan having failed, we believe that we should adopt the plan pursued by other fraternities in the disposition of their publications i. e., print the book, and require each active member to purchase it and sell the balance to the

alumni. Alpha Tau Omega, unlike many other fraternities, has imposed few pecuniary obligations upon its active membership; but if the prompt issuance of the Song Book can be assured by no other method, the Fraternity would be fully warranted in creating a precedent for this laudable purpose. In any event, let the next Congress give us a Song Book.

The Palm. While the management of our official journal is largely vested in the High Council, that body is responsible for its actions to the Fraternity, and it is within the jurisdiction of the Congress to make recommendations or regulations regarding the PALM. It is very likely that the report of the editor may call for some action. The report will not measure up to his own expectations, but it will to a great degree surprise those who have long regarded the PALM as a burdensome drain on our general resources. Whatever shortcomings may be urged, this fact will be manifest; that the PALM has ceased to be a liability and is now a positive asset to the Fraternity. If, then, changes are thought desirable in the legislation regarding the PALM it is hoped that this condition will be sufficient warrant for any suggested alteration.

Officers. Officers are to be elected. The present board has been so satisfactory that our interests can again be safely confided in those of them who are willing to prolong their period of service by the acceptance of a reelection. In case of any declination, we bespeak the election of men whose records warrant the distinction and whose terms of office will be something more than the enjoyment of an honor but, withal, a period of unrelenting activity.

Chapter Houses. The matter of houses for our chapters calls for attention. Right or wrong, fraternities are being judged largely by the number of houses they possess and own. Thus far, the Fraternity as a whole has done but little in aiding individual chapters to acquire homes. Other fraternities have devised systems by which, eventually, every chapter will have a house largely provided out of a common treasury. Can Alpha Tau Omega not do something in this direction?



A WINTER SCENE AND A PORTION OF THE CAMPUS—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Stoner
Keenoke, Ala.

TO THE DOGS AND BACK.

(*A Fraternity Story.*)

"THERE'S no use talking any more," said Buck Stephens, with an air of finality, kicking a satin pillow across the senior's room, "this chapter's going to the dogs."

"That's right, knock," said Jones Jr., "I don't think it's up to you to kick. You wouldn't let us bid a single man we might have pledged."

"Well, I'm not going to let you get a set of dubs in here. If we can't do any better than that, it's up to us to go out of the business and give up the charter."

"Tommyrot!" said Haviland, the senior, "I guess we five can manage to pull through some way. There's liable to be some new men in this morning, and it wouldn't hurt matters if we got busy down at the train. Buck, meet us at the station at train time."

"I suppose I can if you think it'll do any good. We'll have to do something. We've lost six men already——"

"Seven," interrupted Billie the Kid, in a perfectly friendly manner.

"Well, seven. We even lost Bink Keller's brother. The Tates have twelve men pledged and the Ryes eight. Something's wrong with our alumni or social standing or something."

"No use knocking, we'll pull along somehow," said Jones, Sr.

The T. N. E. whistle sounded in the street. The five other boys in Haviland's room looked at Buck Stephens. He rose.

"Well, I'll see you at train time," he said, and went down stairs to join the Big Six.

"Buck would be more help to us if he'd knock less and do more," said Jones Jr.

"Well, I've got to go," said his brother, "I've cut two classes already to meet train. Buck can do my share this morning."

"I can't be down either," said Jones Jr. "I have to meet Doc. Vose at train time to arrange my schedule. But I'll stop by the room after dinner."

"How about you?" said the senior, looking at the kid.

"I'll be there all right," said Billie.

Billie was a soph and eighteen. He was not a No. 1 fraternity material, and had "barbed" through half of his freshman year. He was grateful to the bunch, however, for spiking him and was the most enthusiastic man in the chapter.

When Haviland, the senior, was left alone in his room he thought the chapter's outlook seemed pretty dark.

"Well, they don't seem to care and I have more work to do than all the rest of them put together. It's their lookout. My last year here, anyhow, and the big senior went down to see the little blonde in the book store.

The chapter was going to the dogs.

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When the 10:40 train came in, a crowd of Tate and Rye rushers were dutifully on hand. Buck Stephens was at the station with the Big Six. This was the T. N. E. interfraternity, the boys who taught the faculty how to run the school. They kept themselves carefully apart from the common herd and only occasionally recognized a club-mate with a curt nod. Their very air and dress and bored indifference proclaimed their self-satisfaction and "we are the people" spoke from every movement. Now and then a rash soph or junior, recognizing a fraternity brother, would try and join the crowd, but the Big Six ignored their efforts and lounging back against the door of the waiting-room, watched the incoming of the new students, with studied indifference.

Billie the Kid, had not been able to locate Haviland, and came down to the station with a crowd of his non-fraternity classmen. He looked at Buck for instructions but Buck dismissed him with a curt "Hi?" to the amusement of the

barbs. Seven or eight new students alighted from the train. Only one seemed anything like "material" and he was immediately gobbled by two Tates who shook hands with him introduced themselves, took his grip, found him a cab, got in with him and hurried him Tatewards. The other new men formed a little group around the Y. M. C. A. Reception Committee. Then another new student got off the car. The eyes of every fraternity man at the station were upon him. Then two of the Big Six, a Tate and a Rye, brushing all lesser beings aside, pushed their way to the newcomer. He looked like the very best kind of material, a tall, athletic looking, well-groomed, college man. He appeared somewhat older than most of the freshmen and carried a large leather suitcase. He swung from the steps and looked around at the waiting crowd.

"New student?" asked the Tate rusher.

"Stranger in a stranger land," said the newcomer. "My name's Dixon—Sid Dixon."

The Tate man introduced himself and then, somewhat grudgingly, the Rye.

"I'm looking for the Reed house. I'm to room there," said Dixon simply.

"It's up my way," lied the Tate man, "I'll drive up with you."

"All right. Come on both of you. I hope we'll get better acquainted."

The three entered the carriage and were driven up College Hill.

Billie the Kid looked at Buck Stephens, somewhat reproachfully.

"Another good thing gone wrong," said the Kid.

"Well, you can't blame him," responded Buck.

The carriage stopped before the Reed house.

"Wont you fellows come in and sit awhile?" said Dixon.

"Not now," answered the wily Rye, "but if you have nothing else on after dinner I'd like to take you out riding and have you meet some of the boys."

"Can't you come up and take dinner with me at the frat-house?" said the Tate.

"Don't you make any rash promises until I see you again," laughed the Rye.

"I'm much obliged, fellows, but I think I'll take this afternoon off and hunt up some of my frat brothers." Dixon had unconsciously thrown back his coat, and pinned to his vest, the two saw the glittering emblem of the fraternity that was going to the dogs.

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Billie the Kid and the Jones boys were lounging in Haviland's room that afternoon.

The senior was sitting in the window smoking his brown drop-stem pipe when Dixon and another new man drove round the corner. They were evidently looking for some number and drew up in front of Haviland's boarding house.

"Can you tell me if Mr. Jack Haviland lives here?" Dixon called out.

"That's my name," said the boy in the window, "I'll be right down.

Haviland opened the door, and Dixon advanced and shaking hands with him, gave him the grip.

"We are new students here. My name's Sid Dixon, from Trelawney College, and this is my room-mate Mr. Powers."

"Glad to know you," said the senior, "come on up. Some of the fellows are up stairs. The room looks pretty tough, though."

"It's all right, you have one of the prettiest views I've seen in town."

Haviland introduced all hands round. The six boys found seats and spent half an hour sizing each other up. Billie the Kid had been smoking a cigarette.

"I've got some more around here some place," he said, "let me find them."

But Dixon, recognizing the brand, tactfully offered his own case, and it was Dixon, who, after the beauties of White

Rock Spring had been discussed, suggested that Billie the Kid take Powers for a ride out that way. When the four boys were alone he said, "I met Powers coming up on the train and I'm pretty sure he's the goods for frat material. He got a bid from the Tates this morning and has a date with the Ryes to-night, but if you fellows are willing I think possibly I can do something toward landing him."

"He's the best man I've seen this year," said Haviland.

"I'm in favor of bidding him right away," said Jones, Sr., "but we'll have to get Buck's vote"

"He's down at the football practice. I'll go down and tell him the news," said Jones Jr.

The night after Powers had kept his engagement with the Ryes, Sid gave him a good stiff fraternity talk. He told of the national strength of his organization, its strength in Powers' home town and the desirability of room-mates and chums belonging to the same fraternity. Then the talk was put on a personal basis and Dixon told the boy that he wanted him in his fraternity from a personal standpoint, and dwelt on the strong feeling of fraternalism in his crowd. Buck Stephens and Billie the Kid dropped in the room a little later to help the thing along, but their efforts were not needed. The fraternity which was going to the dogs had pledged the best new man of the year, and all because of an acquaintance formed on the train.

The chapter meetings were held in a small hall over a grocery store. The room was carpeted and had a narrow platform at one end. A couple of tables, windows with green shades and dingy white curtains, two dozen wooden chairs and a rusty stove were the details. The boys always met on Saturday night at 8:30, hurried through the routine business, talked a while, and adjourned—the Joneses to their room to study, Haviland to call on the book-store lady, Buck Stephens to the hotel billiard-hall and Billie the Kid to the barb. dormitory. Then Jones Jr., once every quarter would sit down and write a glowing letter to the fraternity magazine telling of the triumphs of the members and the fraternal pleasures of the chapter.

"Boys, we've got to do something for this chapter hall," said Dixon the night of Powers' initiation. "It looks like a cross between a bowery anarchist's hall and a salvation army battle-ground? I'll need two men in the morning and the whole crowd can come by in the afternoon. We'll also need about five dollars and some sofa pillows. Each of us has three or four in his room. I move a tax of half his pillows be levied on each man, pro bono publico."

The next Saturday night the curtains had been laundried, the stove blacked and a long bench, with upright arms at the two ends, had been built down one side of the room, covered with dark red denim and padded with excelsior and cotton. Haviland's girl had contributed three dark-red paper shades for the lights and seven pillows borrowed from the boys by Billie were on the cozy corner bench. The tables were covered with the dark-red cloth and a few neat posters and pennants, as well as a pipe-rack and tobacco jar had been contributed by Sid Dixon and Powers. Nor was that all. The chapter had a piano. It was second-hand and old and rented to the boys at one dollar a week, but it was "all to the sweet" as Powers said. When the Joneses and Haviland came into the room they hardly recognized the place. That night after the routine business was finished, pipes were lit and the boys gathered round the piano and sang, while Powers played "Down where the Cotton Blossoms Grow," "Annie Moore," "Nellie Gray," "Solomon Levi," and the rest of the good old college songs. Billie arranged some wooden platters of sliced ham and cheese, and rye bread and pickles. The very air was charged with the change. *Bon camaradie* was everywhere. Buck picked away at an old guitar and they all sang, oblivious of past or future, of books or the world, living in the present, the golden present of college life and love. The chain of friendship was forging.

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The best fraternity rusher is the man who can pick the gold from the dross and can find the true man beneath the rough exterior. Dixon kept steadily on the lookout for new

men. Four men with good class and athletic records were elected to membership. They were shy fellows, not as smooth as most fraternity men, but the manhood was there—the fraternity was to do the polishing.

The principle problem Sid had to face, however, and the one which puzzled him most, was the fact that all the best boys from the local high school pledged Tate or Rye immediately upon matriculation. This was a serious proposition as fully one-half of the fraternity men came from the college town. Sid decided it was the social standing of the Tates or Ryes. Nearly every society girl in the town wore one of their pins and frequently gave receptions and other entertainments to the favorite chapter. One night at a church reception Dixon asked the Rector to present him to Miss Morrison. She was the only daughter of Judge Morrison, and in spite of the fact that she was not as young nor as pretty as many of her friends, she had tact, and was an acknowledged social leader of the town. Her crowd were a little older than the college set but she was frankly pleased at Dixon's attentions and readily gave him permission to call. She had never worn a fraternity pin but seemed not unwilling to try the experiment. Sid Dixon had shown his foresight in choosing Helen Morrison to be the first frat sister. Although she was not young and pretty she was not spoiled, nor was she a coquette wearing one pin one month and shifting the next. She had absolute, unswerving faith in the fraternity and its every member. Dixon talked over next season's campaign with her and many a youthful high school boy, and girl too, were flattered by receiving invitations to little informal affairs at Judge Morrison's to meet some of the college boys. Buck and Powers were Sid's allies in the social stunts and soon, under the guidance of Miss Morrison, two other girls in her set were wearing the emblem of the fraternity.

The chapter's social debut was a theatre party followed by a chafing-dish supper at Judge Morrison's. The girls were all friends of Miss Helen and the boys of the chapter showed up very well in their full dress suits and opera hats procured from — but that's another story. The party was a success

in every way and was well written up in the social news of each of the town's papers. The theatre party was followed about a month later by a modest little good-time picnic and an evening of bridge-whist, both duly chronicled.

"That bunch is waking up socially," said one of the Ryes, and the knowing ones ceased scoffing and acquiesced.

Five months after the opening of college, three men were publically reprimanded by the president and suspended for the rest of the year. One of these was a Tate member of the Big Six. That same night Dixon was invited to dinner by the T. N. E. fraternity and extended an invitation to join the organization.

"Fellows," he said, "I thank you for the honor of the invitation. Personally I am proud you want me to be one of you. There is scarcely a fraternity man in college who does not speak well of the Big Six and there is not a man in your organization I am not glad to call my friend, but, as far as joining your interfraternity is concerned, I'm sorry to say I can not accept your invitation. My reason is simply this, I am already a fraternity member, and if I joined the Big Six, I would of a necessity be as loyal to you as to my other fraternity. That is what you expect—a sincere chumminess, a banding together. The T. N. E. fraternity in Trelawney was somewhat different from your chapter here. It was simply a pan-hellenic association leagued together to promote the best interests of the Greek, and in so doing, to promote the best interests of the college. You may be surprised when I tell you I was initiated last year and still proudly wear the good old skull and keys. I have not affiliated with your local organization because the whole thing seems so different. Your idea of T. N. E. seems to be that of a small and very exclusive clique, more exclusive and more closely bound than any of your fraternities. This is not what T. N. E. should stand for. It should strengthen the fraternity, not weaken it—strengthen it by an interchange of ideas. It should be a common ground where a few of the older men of each fraternity can work together for their common cause and for the general welfare of the school. I hope you will not think I



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(Where Congress Ball will be held.)

want to preach or knock your club. That's not my style. You have asked me to join, and in refusing, I have simply stated my reasons for being opposed to such an organization. Again, I thank you for your good feeling and the honor you have done me." The boys were dumb founded. Never before had anyone refused an invitation to join the Big Six. They tried to change Dixon's decision and spoke of the good times they had and the absolute congeniality of the whole, but Dixon was firm and the Big Six remained the Big Five for the rest of the year.

That evening Dixon and Miss Helen walked home together from the skating match. He told her the course he had taken in regard to T. N. E. and was not surprised to find her of the same opinion.

"We have a big work before us and it's best not to have any side issues," said the girl.

"We boys certainly owe a lot to you, Miss Helen," said Sid.

"Yes, and we boys certainly owe a lot to you, Mr. Dixon," responded Miss Helen.

They were passing in front of Haviland's house. The windows were closed. But the crowd were inside, for they heard somebody singing:

"For he's a jolly good fellow:
For he's a jolly good fellow,
For he's a jolly good fellow,
Which nobody will deny."

Then someone asked loudly "What's the matter with Sid Dixon?"

And every mother's son of them answered with one voice: "He's all right!"

WALTER B. HARE.

THE FRATERNITY AND THE TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

MUCH has been and is being written on the relation of the fraternity to the college and to the world at large. In spite of this fact, the relation of the Greek world to that of the "barbarians" has not yet received the attention it deserves. It is a subject which should have the profoundest thought of those who are interested in fraternity affairs. One particular phase of this question, which, so far as the author knows, has never been written upon, is the peculiar place occupied by the Greek-letter societies in the technical schools.

For the purpose of this sketch, I shall consider only the purely technical schools, leaving out of the question those universities where engineering courses are given. The only exceptions to this are in the cases of Lehigh and Purdue, which, though giving other than engineering courses, are popularly called technical institutions. Under this definition of the term, there are 13 technical schools in the United States, at which one or more national fraternities are represented.

The points of difference between a technical school and an academic college are many and various. Not only are the *curricula* entirely unlike, but the amount of work required from the students of the one is usually many times that required from those of the other. This fact has perhaps done more than any other one thing to prevent the spread of the fraternities in the technical schools. Most fraternity men have felt that there was not time enough for a technical student to attend to his studies, and still have the necessary enthusiasm and energy left for his fraternity.

Another so-called objection to the scientific schools is the class of men which they draw. This is quite different from that which usually goes to the classical college, as they all have a definite aim in life, a thing which can not be said of a majority of the students at college. This fact has been used

as an argument againts the existance of chapters in technical schools, on the ground that many of the men were not of good enough family and social standing to be admitted to a self-respecting fraternity. However true this may have been in the past, it certainly can not be held as any reason now, when so many men are forsaking the colleges for the technical schools.

Few if any, of the technical schools, support dormitories. This gives the chapter house a field of its own. The faculties of many institutions are very glad to have the men live in the chapter houses, as they then know where they are, and that they have an opportunity to be influenced for good by the upper classmen. In schools where the dormitory system is in force, the chapter houses help to solve the housing problem. At some institutions, the dormitory space has actually decreased, while the registration has increased greatly. An article in a recent number of *The Outlook* gives some interesting facts on this point.

For the benefit of those who have not been made familiar with the history of the fraternities in the technical schools, I have extracted a few facts from Baird's *Manual of College Fraternities*, which may prove interesting. In 1864 Theta Xi was founded at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as a fraternity confined to the technical schools exclusively. It is the only national organization of this character, and has at present eight chapters and eighty-eight members. Tau Beta Pi is strictly engineering, but elects its men on a basis of scholarship. It has certain secret features which are entirely lacking in Sigma Xi, which is both engineering and scientific, and also elects its members on a basis of scholarship.

The general fraternities are well represented in the engineering schools. The first fraternity to enter a scientific school was Theta Delta Chi, which established a chapter at Rensselaer in 1852. This chapter was removed by the fraternity in 1896.

The present distribution of the chapters is given as follows: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 7; Sigma Nu, 7; Kappa Sigma, 7; Alpha Tau Omega, 6; Chi Phi, 5; Phi Delta Theta, 5;

Delta Tau Delta, 4; Beta Theta Pi, 4; Phi Gamma Delta, 4; Phi Kappa Sigma, 3; Phi Sigma Kappa, 3; Sigma Chi, 3; Chi Psi, 2; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 2; Kappa Alpha (Southern order), 2; Phi Kappa Psi, 2; Pi Kappa Alpha, 2; Alpha Chi Rho, 1; Delta Phi, 1; Delta Upsilon, 1; Delta Psi, 1; Delta Sigma Phi, 1; Kappa Alpha (Northern order), 1; Omega Pi Alpha, 1; Psi Upsilon, 1; Sigma Phi, 1; Theta Delta Chi, 1; Zeta Psi, 1.

This makes a grand total of thirty-seven chapters in technical schools, including Theta Xi's eight chapters.

It is to be hoped that the fraternities will wake up to the fact that the technical schools afford a fine field for extension and that they will see that this extension takes place. When this happens we shall find that the student body of these institutes will improve in quality.

Alpha Tau Omega can be proud of the fact that she has chapters in nearly all the best schools, and must not forget that there are still a few where she is as yet unrepresented, but where she should investigate the opening.

ROGER DEL. FRENCH.

CHAPTER FINANCES.

The financial condition of a chapter is a ready test of its real condition. By this it is not meant that a Phi should possess a house, a permanent fund, or any other expensive machinery or equipment. The best chapter is often composed of poor but earnest college men, whose dues are figured to the minimum of safety, and whose riches are rather of the head and hand than of the purse. What is meant is that a chapter should punctually provide for and discharge its financial obligations; that it should carry no dead weight of unpaid bills on either credit or debit side; that its books should be methodically and correctly kept; that whether its monthly dues are ten cents or ten dollars, the brothers should see that they are paid to date. A chapter whose funds are mismanaged or in arrears, a brother who, in debt to his fraternity, spends money on his own enjoyment—such cases show dishonesty, disloyalty, and indifference to the spirit of our landmarks, and should be dealt with by chapter or by council with a strong arm.—*Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho.*

In Memoriam.

FRANK L. TAYLOR,

(N. C. Alpha Delta.)

Initiated, September, 1898; Died, September, 1906.

Requiescat in pace.

J. WRIGHT MACNIDER, M. D.,

(N. Y. Beta Theta.)

Born, March 30th, 1874; Died, May 26th, 1906.

Initiated, 1890.

Requiescat in pace.

Resolutions.

NEW YORK BETA THETA.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in His Divine wisdom, to take from our midst Bro. J. W. MacNider, a member of Beta Theta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega; be it therefore

Resolved, That by his untimely death Beta Theta Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega has sustained the loss of a loyal alumnus; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family, and that our badges be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the chapter; that a copy be sent to the bereaved family, and that a copy be sent to the ALPHA TAU OMEGA PALM for publication.

H. W. KRAMER,

L. KNIBLOE,

R. L. COE,

Committee.



THE ALUMNI.



PERSONAL NOTES.

PI, TENNESSEE.

O. L. Lockwood, '04, has a residency on the Southern R. R., work near Vicksburg, Miss.

J. C. Denton, '03, is practicing Law in Nowata, I. T.

M. G. and L. W. Hope, are working with the Chattanooga Electric Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

J. M. Stakely is teaching at Cox College, College Park, Ga.

H. B. White, '05, has charge of an engineering corps up in the Cumberland Mountains.

Jesse G. Rainey, '05, is running a fruit farm near Columbia, Tenn.

Roger Pryor Rice is working for the New York and New Jersey Telephone Co., in New York City.

Paul Kennedy is working with a coal company in Virginia.

Chas. A. Mowbley is studying medicine at the College of Charleston, Charleston, S. C.

ALPHA ZETA, MERCER.

Beverly D. Evans, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, was one of the principal speakers at the Atlanta Alumni banquet last June.

W. Cole Jones, '02, is making good on the reportorial staff of the Atlanta *Journal*.

Emmett C. Dunn, '05, is now cashier of a bank at Oglethorpe, Ga.

Tobe Wall, '05, is now in the drug business at Dawson, Ga.

Lemon and Ray Awtrey, '05, are now in business at Acworth, Ga.

Jack T. Usry, '05, has gone into business at Thomson, Ga.

Guy Selman, '05, is studying medicine at one of the Atlanta medical colleges.

Steve D. Small, '05, is running a drug store in Florida.

ALPHA THETA, EMORY.

H. E. Osborne holds an important position with the Rock Island and Frisco System, Memphis, Tenn.

L. P. Wilson is with the City Hardware Co., Anniston, Ala.

Claude B. Quillian is teaching school at Adel, Ga.

F. P. Norman is attending the medical college at Atlanta.

Harry Bardwell is a missionary to Ouba.

Wm. F. Quillian has been re-elected president of the N. L. W. Institute, with G. W. Quillian as associate president.

M. H. Blackshear is a prominent lawyer of Dublin, Ga.

ALPHA MU, ADRIAN.

Ray B. Morgan, one of Detroit's leading lawyers, has been very ill at his home in Adrian for nearly three months. He hopes to return to his business in the near future.

Elgin R. Fuller, '04, is attending a law school in Chicago.

Harry V. Michener is with the American Window Glass Co., of Pittsburgh.

Timon F. Owens is assistant rector of one of the Episcopal churches in Washington, D. C.

A. F. Watson is located with his father in the lumber business at Cheboygan, Mich.

John R. Bristol is engaged in the clothing business in Steubenville, Ohio.

ALPHA UPSILON, GETTYSBURG.

Rentz, '03, has entered the Theological Seminary at Princeton, to prepare for the ministry.

J. N. Hartman, '06, is in the real estate office of his father, at McKeesport, Pa.

Bro. D. F. Lafean, of York, Pa., has been re-elected to Congress.

Wm. H. Menges, '96, of Menges' Mills, and Charlotte Gertrude Bauer, were married Wednesday evening, Oct. 10th.

BETA BETA, SOUTHERN.

R. B. McGehee, '05, has returned from a trip to Europe and is now a member of the faculty of Barton Academy, Mobile, Ala.

F. E. Chapman, '02, is fellow and assistant in the chair of Mathematics, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

R. L. Williams, A. M., '94, has recently been nominated by the Democratic party for the first Governor of the new State of Oklahoma. His nomination practically means his election.

We sympathize with Rev. R. R. Jones, '05, in the loss he has sustained through the death of his wife.

Bestor Ward, who was with us last year, is a member of the Senior class of the University of Alabama this year.

Jno. McDuffie, an initiate of 1900, has recently been elected to the State Legislature.

W. P. Chilton, A. M., '03, is proprietor of one of Alabama's most successful printing establishments.

Hon. L. C. Bradley, A. B., '91, was elected a member of the Central Council of the Alabama Bar Association at its meeting in July.



THE BIRMINGHAM ATHLETIC CLUB.



HOTEL HILLMAN, BIRMINGHAM, ALA.
(The Congress Headquarters.)

BETA EPSILON, TULANE.

John Janvier, '04, was recently married to Miss Martha Newell, of Maysville, Ky. They will reside in New Orleans, where Bro. Janvier is engaged in the practice of law.

Edward Rightor, '95, has been appointed by the Governor attorney to the State Tax Collector for delinquent licenses.

H. G. Dupre, '93, took a very active part in the recent session of the State Legislature. Bro. Dupre has also been appointed First Assistant City Attorney.

Charles Green, '03, has entered the lumber business in Laurel, Miss., being interested in the Eastman-Gardner Lumber Co., Ltd., one of the largest saw mill operators in the South.

C. C. Miller, '04, recently graduated in law, and is practicing in Meridian, Miss.

H. H. Chaffe has recently become interested in the law firm of Denegre & Blair, of New Orleans, one of the largest law firms in the country.

Rathborne DeBuys has recently been elected president of the DeBuys Levy Co., Ltd., architects. They are located in this city.

Arthur Westerfield, of the Tulane football team of 1903, is assistant coach at Tulane this year.

J. C. Rathbone, '04, who has been in Europe for the past four years, will shortly return to this city, to go into business with the Louisiana Cypress Lumber Co.

Watts Leverich, '01, who for the past few years a professor in Ferrell's Preparatory School, has resigned his position and has taken up the study of law.

Charles Eshleman, '00, is at Johns Hopkins, where he is attending a course of post graduate lectures.

G. L. Dupre, Jr., is also engaged in the practice of law. He is with Bro. Edward Rightor, and is also assistant attorney to the State Tax Collector.

Lyons, '02; Yale, '03, is now attending lectures at the Tulane Medical College.

James Butler, '97, has retired from the practice of law, having accepted a position as trust officer of the German American Bank, of New Orleans.

Laurence DeBuys is practicing medicine in Houma, La., where he has already built up a very large practice.

Shaffer, of Terrebonne Parish, was a member of the State Senate at its recent session.

Arthur Parker has recently been elected president of the Dr. G. H. Tichenor Antiseptic Co., Ltd., a large drug corporation in this city.

James Hayward is now living in Vicksburg, Miss., where he is engaged in the cotton business.

W. T. Maginnis has been elected president of the Lane Maginnis Cotton Mills, of New Orleans.

Louis Hardie was recently married to Miss Alice Stauffer. He is residing in New Orleans and is engaged in the cotton business.

Allen Eustis, '92, has given up the practice of medicine, and has accepted the presidency of the Nutriline Co., Ltd., with headquarters in this city.

The engagement of Bro. Edgar H. Woods, '96, to Miss Genta Wright, of Meridian, Miss., was recently announced. Bro. Woods is with the N. O. & N. E. R. R. Co., with his headquarters in Meridian.

BETA LAMBDA, MICHIGAN.

F. V. Johnston who entered Physicians and Surgeons College this Fall is pledged to Alpha Kappa Kappa and reports a fine start.

McManness and Daty have secured good positions in Finalay, Ohio.

Clark and Bird are with the William Todd Engine Co., in Youngstown, O.

BETA MU, WOOSTER.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage, October 11th, of Bro. Frank Rhea Bott to Miss Alice B. King, of Des Moines, Iowa. They will be at home at Evanston, Illinois.

Another wedding of interest is that of Bro. Arthur Blaser, '03, to Miss Esther Hemphill, of the same class, which took place October 16th at South Charleston, Ohio.

A. Lee Wilson, '03, has a pastorate at Westhope, North Dakota.

J. Boyd Crouch, '05, and wife, nee Miss Estella Stentz, were here for the Wooster-Reserve football game, October 20th. Bro. Crouch is teaching in the Oberlin High School this year.

J. H. Whitcraft, '05, who spent a week with us this Fall, is taking up the study of Medicine in Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.

J. J. Didcoct, '05, who was with us last year as assistant in Biology, is teaching this year at Bement, Illinois.

J. Fuller Wallace, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, was also a visitor for the Wooster-Reserve football game, and he was warmly welcomed back to A. T. O's midst. He spent about ten days with us, when he left for home. Bro. Wallace was seriously injured in a railroad wreck near Columbus, Ohio, this Summer, from which he has not entirely recovered. He still uses a crutch, but he is feeling his own self again, and hopes to be able to throw away the "third leg" soon. He will enter into business as soon as he entirely recovers.

A. W. Clokey, ex-'04, is working in the Lake Shore Railroad Office in Cleveland, Ohio.

R. G. Caldwell, '04, made the chapter a visit this Fall, after his two years teaching in India. He is attending Auburn Seminary this year.

Lyle Ringland, '05, who was also with us last year as assistant in Physics, has a bank position in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Edwin B. Townsend, '06, is attending the Western Theological Seminary at Allegheny this year.

C. H. Rice, '06, is teaching at the Forman Christian College, Lahore, India. He took the place that was vacated by Bro. R. G. Caldwell, '04.

W. Z. Harrison, ex-'07, is the receiving teller of the Des Moines National Bank, Des Moines, Iowa.

Charles J. Moore, ex-'08, made us a visit and also took in the Wooster-Reserve game. Bro. Moore is telephone inspector this year at Lima, Ohio.

We were very glad to welcome back Bro. Harry B. Lloyd, ex-'08, for a short visit this Fall. The brothers all miss "Harry Bill" in school and in athletics. He has a bank position at Fostoria, Ohio, and will not return to Wooster until next Fall.

Paul C. Bunn, ex-'08, made us a short visit this year. He is now superintendent of the schools at Bettsville, Ohio.

L. E. Wolfe is acting as Registrar here in the University. He has been helping us very much this Fall in the way of new men, which we appreciate very much.

BETA UPSILON, MAINE.

W. P. Hews, '06, is with the U. S. Reclamation Service at Boise City, Idaho.

F. A. Banks, '06, is in the same service at Glendire, Montana.

J. W. Elms, '06, is chemist with the General Electric Co., in Lynn, Mass.

G. G. D. Coligny, '06, is chemist with the N. K. Fairbanks Co., in Chicago, Ill.

F. L. Bailey, '05, is in Mattopan, Mass., preparing to go into business.

F. L. Flanders, '05, is assistant engineer on the enlargement of the pulk mill at Basin Mills, Me.

F. L. Leonard, '05, is assistant electrical engineer on the construction on the new power dam at Oldtown, Me.

E. H. Sturgis, '94, is at present in the Panama Canal. He has entire charge of the traction service on the canal.

John M. McCready, '03, is third assistant in the Patent office in Washington, D. C.

GAMMA ALPHA, SIMPSON.

Gable, Shepperd and Howard paid us a visit on their way to their charges where they resume another year's work.

Quint, '92, was with us a while this Fall.

The marriage of J. Norman Fuller to Miss Romena Smith occurred October 24. Mrs. Fuller is a member of the Delta Delta Delta fraternity. She has long been a sister to us and our truest wishes go with them to their home in Colorado, where Bro. Fuller has a flourishing business.

GAMMA BETA, TUFTS.

On Thursday evening, September 27, 1906, Edward H. Wood and Miss Ethel B. Harman, were united in marriage at Goddard Chapel, Tufts College.

Howard I. Russel, '97, who held a position with the Factory Mutual Fire Insurance Co., has recently been made a superintendent in the Amoskeag Mills at Manchester, N. H.

Frank L. Hayford, '01, who has been teaching in the Philippines for the past five years, returned this Summer and has accepted a responsible position on the *Milford Journal* Milford, Mass.

Frank C. Woodward, '04, has resigned his position with the City of Waterbury, Conn., and is now with the Good Roads Commission of New York State.

W. E. Dodge, '05, who was injured during the latter part of the Summer by a fall from his motor-cycle, has nearly recovered from his injuries, and is now quite frequently seen on the hill.

On September 1, Forrest Lunt, '02, and Miss Madeline Norton were united in marriage at Evansville, Ill.

B. J. Gudge, '06, is now employed in the testing department of the Westinghouse Electric Co., Pittsburgh, Penn.

S. H. Boardman, '06, is now with the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., at Middletown, Ct.

Robert Hill, '04, now serving as councilman in the Salem City Government, is with the Irving K. Annabel Printing Co., Boston.

GAMMA ETA, TEXAS.

H. P. Burney, last year's Law graduate, returned to the University this year to take a position of Quiz Master in law.

Leon D. Brown, Law '04, of LaGrange, made us a short visit. He is practicing law in the office of Brown, Lane & Garwood, LaGrange, Tex.

M. A. Barton, Law '03, is in the law office of Governor-elect Tom Campbell, Palestine, Texas.

J. O. Brown, Jr., of LaGrange, who was seriously ill this past Summer at Fort Davis has now fully recovered. He visited Walter E. Giesen for ten days and was present at our initiation. We regret very much that he will be unable to be with us this year, as he will enter Princeton in January, stopping in Birmingham on his way.

GAMMA ZETA, ILLINOIS.

Arthur Barnett is now practicing law in Joplin, Mo.

Lee Robinson has disposed of his newspaper in Iowa and is now practicing law in Oklahoma.

R. W. Elden was married October 20, to Miss Leila P. King at Rockford, Ill. Bro. Elden has recently resigned his position as Assistant State Engineer and has accepted a position on the Editorial Staff of the *Engineering News* with headquarters in New York City.

W. T. Sumner has recently formed the law partnership of McHale and Sumner, of St. Louis, Mo.

R. E. Townsend is still with the Mexican Central R. R., with headquarters in Chicontepec, Mexican.

Fred Dick is attending Wesl. Law School in Bloomington, Ill.

J. D. Wagoner is traveling for the American Telephone Company.

Wm. Dunning is now estimator for the Roebling Construction Co.

A. W. Kirkwood is salesman for the Marshall and Husard Machine Co.

E. J. Knight is practicing law in Peoria, Ill. He successfully passed the Illinois Bar examination held in October.

H. N. Gridley is practicing law in East St. Louis, Ill.

J. Coleman and C. O. Garm have recently established a new clothing house in Beardstown, Ill.

G. C. Smith, '61, is now located at St. Louis, Mo., and is a practicing physician.

W. H. Mueller, '05, is in the engineering department of Armour & Co. Union Stock Yards, Chicago.

BETA OMICRON, ALBION.

The Fraternity will rejoice to learn that Bro. Chas. H. Fenn, former W. G. O., has entirely recovered from an illness which confined him to bed for nineteen weeks.

GAMMA THETA, NEBRASKA.

H. H. Hollingworth, '06, is principal of the High School at Fremont, Neb.

Harry Culver, '02, has moved to Lincoln, Neb., for the Winter.

C. C. Sprague, '06, is spending the Winter in Philadelphia, Pa.

Arthur H. March, '05, Rhodes scholar, has resumed his work in Keble College, Oxford, after spending the Summer in Switzerland.

Gold Williams and Miss Paula Eleanor Windmayor were married at eight o'clock, Wednesday, October 31st., in St. Luke's Church at Lincoln, Neb. They are to make their home at Chicago, Ill., where Bro. Williams has a position with the C. B. & O. Railroad.

GAMMA KAPPA, WESTERN RESERVE.

Louis Englander, Lex. '05, is in the employ of Henderson Quail & Siddeff, Somers, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Lamar T. Beman, '01, is an instructor in English at East High School, Cleveland, Ohio.

J. P. Thompson, Lex. '05, is practicing law at Cleveland, O.

"Jack" Ruggles, '05, is in the employ of the Lake Shore Railroad in the engineering department.

The engagement has recently been announced of Mr. John Houston Marshall, '06, to Miss Bessie O. Sommers.

Joseph F. Williams, Lex. '05, hangs out his shingle at 411 Dollar Bank Building, Youngstown, Ohio.

Ernest McKelvey, '06, is an assistant in Chemistry at Purdue University.

Branton M. Duncan is in the employ of the Guardian Savings & Trust Co., of Cleveland, Ohio.

GAMMA IOTA, CALIFORNIA.

Victor Stump, '05, is living in Los Angeles.

Bros. Menzel, '05, and Enler, '05, are with the General Electric Company, engaged in construction work on the Kern River.

Bisbee, '05, is in Tonopah, Nevada, a large mining center, and is very enthusiastic over the prospects.

Peck, '01, is an instructor in the State Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Berkeley.

Arnold, '01, has just returned from an extended eastern trip. He spent quite a while in Virginia and visited the Washington & Lee University. He has been teaching in Colusa.

Oruinan, '03, is superintendent of the Spokane City Railway in Washington.

Theobald, ex-'06, has just graduated from Annapolis. He was out here on a short leave of absence, before entering the service.

Mort. Austin is with the Home Telephone Company, of Oakland, as superintendent of the auditing department.

GAMMA LAMBDA, COLORADO.

O. B. Haley, of Laramie, Wyo., has been blessed by the advent of a little daughter into his home.

Wm. C. Bailey, of Adams Center, N. Y., has this year entered the dental department of Denver University. He has been elected president of his class. Bro. Bailey with his pitching ability will be a source of great strength to Denver Universities' nine next Spring.

Paul Mosher has been appointed manager of the Evans' Office of the United Produce Co., of Colorado.

Frank L. Parker is district manager of the DeForest Wireless Telegraphic Co., at Tucuma, Washington.

Snyder, '03, who has just completed his internship at the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, is now private physician to one of Philadelphia's wealthiest citizens.

Grafton Pearse is traveling agent for the Phoenix Insurance Company.

GAMMA OMICRON, PURDUE.

F. E. Morrow, '04, has been recently promoted to assistant engineer on the Chicago and Northwestern R. R.

R. A. Rogers, ex-'06, has been promoted to chief draftsman in the office of principal assistant engineer of Vandalia R. R. at Indianapolis.

R. R. Bragg, ex-'07, is resident engineer in charge of track elevation for the Vandalia R. R. at Indianapolis,

Will O. Martin, '04, of Michigan Beta Omicron, has announced his engagement to Miss Lillian Stone, of Toledo, O.

C. S. Smith, '04, is assistant superintendent with the Bates & Rogers Construction Co., of Chicago.

C. H. Park, '06, is with the Faro Construction Co., of Cincinnati.

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GAMMA RHO, MISSOURI.

Ira Guy Walborn, E. E., '06, is with the Teluride Power Co., at Beaver Utah.

Ohas. H. Fessenden, M. E., '06, is with the Stirling Consolidated Boiler Co., at Mansfield, Ohio.

Golden C. Davis, Law, '07, did not return this Fall but will be with us again next year.

Fred A. Lind, Law, '08, has entered this department at the University of Chicago.

J. C. Murta, Chm. E., '07, is in business with his father at Ft. Smith, Ark.

[Many personal items were crowded out of this issue by the press of other very important matter. Such items will appear in the next issue.—EDITOR.]

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ASSOCIATION LETTERS.

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BOSTON.

So far this season we have not been very active but are awaiting the house-warming of the brothers at "Tech." The members of the association will unite with them in stirring things up. At that time plans will be made for the trip to Birmingham where we hope to be well represented.

Later we will start our usual monthly dinners. These dinners are well attended by both alumni and active men from the Tech, Brown and Tufts chapters.

A. T. O. in New England is rapidly advancing to the front. The chapters are all united and keep in close touch with each other, aiding and helping at every opportunity.

After the congress we will all be brimming with spirit, and can then boom things to a better advantage.

RALPH L. READE.

CHICAGO.

The Chicago Association has become very active within the last several weeks. A dinner to which Alpha Taus within a radius of several miles from Chicago have been invited, will be held sometime in November, and the responses already at hand presage an unusually successful affair. The association plans a series of meetings and dinners to be held the second Saturday night of each month during the year at the Union Restaurant, 111 Randolph Street, at 7 P. M., to which any Alpha Tau who happens to be in Chicago at that time is most cordially invited. At the last dinner the University Chapter, with its pledged men attended. The dinner was most enjoyable, though marred temporarily by the presence of one Mr. W. A. Rosenberg, who said he was from Bethany College, West Virginia. He failed in the test and we have since been informed by the W. G. K. A. that such name does not appear on the record. There are about seventy-five Alpha Taus in this city of whom we have any knowledge and it is very likely that there are many more of whom we know nothing. If any chapter has any men who have come to Chicago lately we should be very glad to be informed of their names and addresses. At present we are contemplating the institution of a system to co-operate with the active chapters in the matter of getting new men. As yet, it is not fully developed but it will soon be in such shape that we will be able to present something definite on the subject. As for Birmingham, we expect that there will be a large number of men from Chicago and vicinity.

S. B. WILLIAMS.

CLEVELAND.

The Cleveland Alumni Association has now a membership of about seventy-five. The annual meeting of the association was held at the Colonial Hotel on the evening of October 26th, and fifty of the members were present. Ohio Gamma Kappa, the chapter at Western Reserve, has done more to augment the association and install spirit into its members than any other event in its history. The infusion of younger blood into its midst and some incentive to work has done a great deal for the alumni.

At the annual meeting and banquet held on the evening of 26th, Hon. Carmi A. Thompson, of Columbus, Ohio, and Rev. Paul R. Hickok, W. G. Chp., of Delaware, Ohio, were honored guests. Bro. Thompson was elected

Secretary of State on the Republican ticket. He made a pleasing address and won for himself the admiration and regard of all the members of the Cleveland Alumni Association.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year, the following being chosen : President, Lewis B. Foote ; vice-president, Dr. Benjamin B. Kimmel ; secretary, Louis Englander ; treasurer, Milo H. Evans. After the election of officers, a banquet was served in the banquet hall. The following is a list of the toasts : Dr. Benjamin F. Kimmel, toastmaster ; "A. T. O's in Cleveland," Lewis B. Foote ; "Our A. T. O. Youngster," Lamar T. Beman ; "Friendship that Lasts," Rev. W. F. Wykoff ; "Value of the Fraternity to the Young Man in College," B. M. Duncan ; "Winning the Prize," W. T. S. Culp ; "Physic," Dr. M. J. Lichty.

LOUIS ENGLANDER.

INDIANA.

As stated in the last PALM, the Hoosier Alpha Taus have formed the Indiana Alumni Association. The organization was largely due to the energy of Bro. Edson F. Tolsom, N. Y. Beta Theta, who was elected president of the association at the meeting held last June. Two meetings were held this Fall and after the association becomes a permanent body by the adoption of a constitution, efforts will be made to enroll all Indiana Alpha Taus. The officers of the association are : Edson F. Tolsom, president ; Eugene H. Kothe, Indiana Gamma Omicron, vice-president ; A. B. Williams, New York Beta Theta, secretary and treasurer. The last named has been transferred to San Francisco and at date his successor has not been named. Among the members of the new organization are the following : Indiana Gamma Gamma, R. K. Rochester ; Indiana Gamma Omicron, R. R. Bragg, R. A. Rogers, J. F. Newman, E. H. Kothe, F. C. Schmid, R. J. McGill, Jr., D. S. McCrea, W. L. Bridges, H. G. Morgan, R. J. Teiter, F. B. Walker, E. P. Wingard, Richard Griffith ; New York Beta Theta, Albert Metzger, A. B. Williams, E. F. Tolsom ; Pennsylvania Tau, R. P. Daggett.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Our alumni association has been dormant for some months, but is beginning to show signs of renewed activity. We are beginning arrangements for our annual banquet which is held on Thanksgiving eve at the Baltimore Hotel, and we would be glad to have any Alpha Taus who can be present communicate with us. We hope to have at least sixty brothers present this year. Our last year's banquet was most enjoyable and will be long remembered by those present. We are looking for a strong delegation from the Missouri Chapter, as this is the first opportunity that they have had to be represented.

A movement is on foot to charter a special car to run from Kansas City to the Birmingham Congress and we would be pleased to hear from all members of the fraternity who can join us either at Kansas City or at any point on the way.

The last PALM was received here with much interest. It possessed a business-like tone which fully compensated for its brevity.

Bro. George Nutting has left Kansas City and located in Oklahoma much to our regret. Bro. C. C. Jones, of Kansas Gamma Mu, is now living in Kansas City, and has a position with the Bankers' Trust Co. Bros. Maloney, Rogers and Conlee, of Nebraska Gamma Theta, have paid us visits during the Summer months.

We trust that all Alpha Taus locating in Kansas City or nearby cities will put themselves in communication with our chapter.

F. R. MORRISON.

PITTSBURGH.

Arrangements are being made for a banquet to be held on the occasion of the W. & J., Lafayette game, which will be held on Saturday, November 10th. This is the date usually chosen for the banquet and the event is always a success. Last year over forty were present and the prospects are that this year's affair will be even more successful. Pittsburgh will have adequate representation at Birmingham.

E. W. MARSHALL.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large the newly formed South Carolina Alumni Association. Saturday night, September 29th, at the Commercial Club at Charleston, S. C., a permanent organization was effected under such favorable conditions that its success seems assured. In June last we held a meeting and appointed temporary officers who worked faithfully for a permanent organization, and we rejoice to think that their labors have not been in vain.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, J. W. Waring, Charleston, S. C.; first vice-president, D. M. O'Driscoll, Charleston, S. C.; second vice-president, J. E. Warnock, M. D., Allendale, S. C.; third vice-president, Christie Benet, Columbia, S. C.; secretary, McM. K. Mazzyck, M. D., Charleston, S. C.; treasurer, J. C. Ball, Charleston, S. C.

Executive committee consists of the above together with M. R. Rivers, Charleston, S. C.; R. H. Pittman, Gourdin, S. C.; A. R. Young, Charleston, S. C. Bro. R. M. Marshall, of Rock Hill, was elected chaplain, and Bro. A. J. Jerrey, of Charleston, was elected physician.

The roll shows a membership of seventy which is excellent for a start.

The meeting was well attended by local and out-of-town members.

The "smoker" which followed the meeting was enjoyed by all present. Bro. W. W. Lumpkin, of Columbia, read a very interesting paper on "A Broader Field for College Fraternities."

With best wishes and hoping that the coming year may be most prosperous to all active and alumni chapters.

MCM. K. MAZYCK.

AN ALUMNI CAMP.

After a three years' separation from their Alma Mater where they had lived in the closest bonds of fraternal friendship, nine Alpha Taus, all members of the class of 1903, of Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio, with a few lady friends and with the Rev. Paul R. Hickok, Worthy Grand Chaplain of the fraternity, and his good wife as chaperons, held a week's reunion at Geneva, on Lake Erie, and for one week, August 20th to 27th, lived once more as in the happy days of college life.

For months the brothers had been planning this reunion. All through the three years that the class had been out of college, the '03 Alpha Taus had kept a letter in circulation. During the last year the chief topic of the round robin was the '03 reunion. Two of the brothers, Weld and Schwenke, had been gone the three years teaching in the Protestant College, Beirut, Syria. It was to give these brothers a glad welcome home that the reunion was first planned.

Geneva is a quiet little resort on the lake about forty-five miles east of Cleveland. When not engaged in water sports and out-of-door games, the brothers got together and talked over old times. All the triumphs and defeats of the frat were recounted until the brothers caught once more the old frat spirit.

A most enjoyable feature of the reunion was a formal frat meeting held Friday night in the cottage that served as a frat house during the reunion. It is possible that this meeting is without parallel in the history of the fraternity. All the forms of a regular meeting were gone through with, only paraphernalia and fine surroundings being wanted to make everything complete. Rev. Paul Hickok, chief of Province VII, held the chair as W. M. In this meeting questions of importance pertaining to the Wooster Chapter were discussed. The '03 Alpha Taus have taken a lively interest in the affairs of their own chapter ever since they left college. As a result of some discussion a committee was appointed to make plans for an alumni association to include all former members of the Wooster Chapter. It will be the purpose of this association to give aid for the strengthening and up-building of Ohio Beta Mu Chapter. Several subjects pertaining to the good of the order were talked over. After deciding to hold another reunion in two years at Wooster, the meeting closed in form about 2 o'clock A. M.

A more enjoyable vacation could not be imagined. Although separated for three years from the scenes of college life, the brothers had not lost any

of their college or frat spirit. The years of separation instead of weakening the bonds of brotherhood, have only served to deepen the appreciation of those friendships that were so dear in the days gone by. Every brother returned to his work with a deeper love for the brothers of the old crowd and with more loyalty to the whole fraternity.

The brothers of '03 who were present at the reunion were: W. Ernest Weld, Marysville, Ohio; Clarence H. Schwenke, Logan, Ohio; James M. Michael, Pittsburgh, Pa.; A. F. Blaser, Lima, Ohio; Bert Harrison, West Middlesex, Pa.; H. B. Simon, Findley, Ohio; A. W. Clokey, Cleveland, Ohio; Clark Anderson, Mansfield, Ohio, and R. K. Shaw, London, Ohio. Bros. Crawl and Wilson of the same class were unable to be present.

Bros. Howard D. Pritchard and Allen Robinson, of Ohio Beta Mu, and Emmet F. Eldredge, of Ohio Alpha Nu, were visitors at the camp.

R. K. SHAW.

A BANQUET SONG.

(*"My Irish Molly, O!"*)

Brothers, share the fellowship we celebrate to-night,
 There's grace of song on ev'ry lip and ev'ry heart is light.
 But first, before our mentor chimes the hour of jubilee,
 Let's drink a health to good old times and good times yet to be.

CHORUS.

Clink, clink, to our endeavor,
 Clink, clink, to A. T. O.
 Sky blue and gold forever,
 Drink to the Knights of the Crescent Bow.
 Here's Alpha Tau Omega,
 Long life and health to thee,
 Heart and hand, one loyal band,
 Forever may you firmly stand,
 Our own fraternity.

Brothers all, from west and east and other foreign parts,
 Come share the rapture of our feast, the love of loyal hearts,
 And in the wassail that suspends all matters burdensome,
 We'll drink a health to good old friends, and good friends yet to come.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

PROVINCE I.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON—ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Alpha Epsilon has had the pleasure of initiating the following: Gus Lazenby, '10, Forest Home, Ala., Will S. Fender, '09, Valdosta, Ga.; J. I. Alexander, '08, Montgomery, Ala. We returned nineteen of last year's men among whom is Bro. Duffee and Will Frazer who are taking post-graduate work. We had a visit from Bro. Boyd this month. Our chapter expects to attend Congress in a body.

JULIUS T. PEARSON.

ALA. BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Beta Delta begins the new scholastic year with ten old men returned and one affiliate, Bro. Ward, of Beta Beta, Southern University.

After the Summer's vacation these brothers returned filled with enthusiasm for A. T. O., and after much hard work during the rushing season we initiated the following new brothers: Hannon, Montgomery, Ala.; McMahon, Livingston, Ala., and Henry Burks, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

We feel sure that with these new men Beta Delta is fully capable of holding its own among its sister chapters in the University. Already we have three men on the 'Varsity football squad. Bro. Oxford Burks, last year's captain, is back at his old position at left half back. Bro. Henry Burks made right guard on 'Varsity and Bro. Hannon, 'Varsity quarter, is said by all who have seen him to be one of the best ever seen in the South.

Woodruff and Ward will represent us on the Glee Club. Brannen was elected vice-president of the Athletic Association and Dent was appointed assistant manager of the "*Crimson-White*." He also holds down the responsible position of assistant manager of the football team.

All the brothers are looking forward with a great deal of interest in the approaching Congress in Birmingham. We all expect to go in a body.

T. B. WARD.

BETA BETA CHAPTER—SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

Beta Beta chapter is beginning her twenty-second year. We returned eight men this year, Bros. Frazer, '09, Fortner, '09, Rush, '09, Brooks, '08, Hill, '09, Hastings, '08, Carmicheal, '08 and Lazenby, '07. We are pleased to introduce to the general fraternity one new man, O. C. Weaver, '09.



PORTION OF A SOUTHERN COLLEGE'S CAMPUS - ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Our "rushing season" will not begin until about January 15th, 1907, since the faculty has passed a law allowing no solicitations nor initiations within four months from the date of matriculation. Bro. Weaver was in school last year and the law did not apply to him, hence his initiation.

Beta Beta has never had brighter prospects than she now has. Nearly all of our old men hold places of honor in college. One brother is Editor-in-chief of *The College Journal*, Tutor in English, and challenge debater. We hold offices in the Y. M. C. A., and the Literary societies, and the Athletic association. Hastings is the star baseball player of the Southern University, where Bros. Frazer and Rush contend for the championship on the Tennis court. Weaver is a contestant for scholarship medal. With these honors to back us, we feel sure that the record of which we have boasted for the last seven years—that we have not lost a single man whom we have solicited—will not be broken.

We have just moved into our new hall and while it is not entirely completed, we can, as soon as it is completed, boast of one of the prettiest halls in Province I.

M. E. LAZENBY.

FLORIDA ALPHA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA.

The opening of this school year finds nine loyal and energetic Alpha Taus determined to hold aloft the standard of the Alpha Tau Omega, we have been very careful in selecting new men and have pledged four, all of whom are good students, that will carry off the honors in that direction. The chapter has been lucky in securing the most desirable and conveniently located "frat room," of any fraternity here. The labors of the resident brothers has shown their effect. A. T. O. will be well represented on the football team, having at least three men. This is the first year of the University in Gainesville, and every one seems to be happy and contented. Our buildings are all new and have all modern equipments. We are very glad, indeed, to have Bro. A. C. Evans with us this year; he is working for his master's degree. Bro. Evans is the Editor of the *College News*, and that paper will certainly prosper with such a man as he at its head. All Alpha Tau's are cordially invited to stop over with us whenever they come our way.

L. W. HOLLOWAY.

GEORGIA ALPHA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

The close of the rushing season finds Alpha Beta with eight men to the good and with prospects of the brightest year in the history of the chapter.

Since the writing of the last letter we have shown the following men the proper way, and it gives me great pleasure to introduce them as brothers good and true: Bradley B. Davis, '09, Newman, Ga.; George W. Jones, '10, Herndon, Ga.; H. P. Heath, '09, Talbottom, Ga.; E. H. McElmurray, '10, Waynesboro, Ga.; L. L. Fulcher, '10, Waynesboro, Ga.; G. C. Arnold, '10, Elberton, Ga., and V. B. Waddell, '10, Marietta, Ga.

It is our pleasure to have Bro. J. F. Roberts, of Lavonia, to affiliate with us. He has entered the Junior law class.

Owing to the fact that we were unable to obtain a house for the present term, we were forced to go into club rooms. The house that we vacated was not a desirable place to remain in on account of its poor condition. At present we have excellent club rooms over the Savings Bank and are very much pleased with the place.

Bro. Roberts represents us on the Advisory Board, Bro. Cheatham looks after our interests in the Pan-Hellenic Council, Bro. Winn is our representative on the *Pandora* staff. Bro. Reynolds is a sergeant, Bro. Stevens a corporal in the cadet corps, and Bro. Cannon is in the cadet band.

During the rushing season we had Bros. John Houston, of Lawrenceville, Stanhope Tutwiler, of Savannah, Pearce Moore, of Cuverton, R. B. Brooks, of Oxford, England, R. L. Clements, of Buena Vista, and Joe Hodgson, of Atlanta, with us.

LEO JOSEPH.

GEORGIA ALPHA THETA—EMORY COLLEGE.

College opened September 19, with the largest attendance of any opening in several years; and with abundant new material from which to select, we harvested a crop of which we are proud. We returned with high hopes of a successful year, but our success has been so phenomenal as to eclipse our most sanguine expectations. Our goat displayed unusual carrying ability this Fall, so naturally we feel quite proud of him and his accomplishments.

The following have been initiated: R. H. Arrington, '11, Augusta, Ga.; Wm. Ashley, '09, Valdosta, Ga.; J. G. Brantley, '09, Wrightsville, Ga.; J. M. Bryan, '09, Wrightsville, Ga.; W. S. Bryan, '09, Wrightsville, Ga.; J. F. Bullard, '11, Palmetto, Ga.; H. D. Burt, '09, Buena Vista, Ga.; H. S. Daley, '09, Wrightsville, Ga.; Miller Daniel, '11, Augusta, Ga.; C. S. Kirby, '09, West Point, Ga.; H. L. Mobley, '09, Hawkinsville, Ga.; H. T. Quillian, '09, Newnan, Ga., and R. S. Quin, '10, Washington, Ga.

With these thirteen new men, and the eleven old men who returned, we are now twenty-four strong, the largest our chapter has been in some years, and we are naturally, therefore, buoyant in spirit concerning the year upon which we have just entered.

During the "spiking" season several of our alumni, viz: Bros. H. P. Arnold, D. B. Bullard, J. H. Beusse, W. J. Hatcher, F. P. Norman and Jno. W. Quillian, were with us, and to them we tender our thanks for services rendered. Roy G. Merry, of Ga. Beta Iota, was with us also, and to him we are indebted for the invaluable aid he gave. C. R. Ashley, whom we were glad to meet, paid us a brief visit to see his brother initiated. Louis Putnam came around to see us several weeks ago in the interest of the Birmingham Congress, and urged upon us the importance of attending, suggesting that it would be well worth our while to make sacrifices, if necessary, in order to

be there. At the same time W. D. Weatherford, southern secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was with us, and gave us a talk both interesting and instructive.

The ten mile cross-country relay race came off Monday, October 22nd, and was won by the Sophomores, the only team on which we were represented. Bros. H. L. Mobley and J. M. Bryan were our representatives.

WM. L. BRYAN.

GA. ALPHA ZETA—MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Mercer University opened her 1906-1907 session on September 25, 1906, with a larger attendance and with better prospects than she has ever had. Under the able direction of Dr. S. Y. Jameson, who is now our president, and who is a splendid man and an indefatigable worker, Mercer is destined to become the leading Baptist university at the South.

Alpha Zeta, returning six of last year's chapter of eight, having C. M. Symmes, who was here during the Spring term of 1905, to return, and having Dave S. Atkinson, of Georgia Alpha Beta, to affiliate, pulled herself together, and, with the assistance of some alumni, took in ten men. She takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity brothers: Sam Monroe Howell, Greenville, Ga.; Everett Dobbins Veatch, Adairsville, Ga.; Clay Benson Dyar, Calhoun, Ga.; Thomas Howard Bradley, Adairsville, Ga.; Frank Brock Orr, Newnan, Ga.; Harold Cassels Oglesby, Quitman, Ga.; James Morris Hearst, Jr., Pelham, Ga.; Oliver Russell Coogle, Oglethorpe, Ga.; Wilbur Smith, Tennille, Ga., and William Edward Davant, Butler, Ga.

Since initiating the above named brothers, Paul Dyar, who was with us in 1904-1906, has returned, and Campbell Jones, of Georgia Beta Iota, has affiliated, and is taking law. We have now a chapter consisting of twenty splendid young men, and it is conceded by every one that A. T. O. leads this year at Mercer.

Loftin and Oglesby are on the 'Varsity football team. The prospects are that we will have seven men on the baseball team. Dyar and Loftin will probably be the battery. The prevailing opinion is that Mercer is going to land the pennant. Atkinson is vice-president and Symmes, secretary of the Law class.

We have just had our hall renovated, had a new carpet laid, and new chairs and a settee put in, beside a few minor charges, and it is now the best frat hall at Mercer. The girls say: "It is a 'dream.'"

We do not know just at this time how many of us will attend the Congress at Birmingham, but those of us who do shall anticipate the pleasure of meeting a large number of our brothers from the North and from the West. Come down, all of you, bask in the warm gardens of the sunny South, and partake of our historical hospitality.

C. M. SYMMES.

GEORGIA BETA IOTA—GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

The school year which has just commenced is one of exceeding brightness for Beta Iota. We returned every man except Bro. Beane, who graduated last June and have since initiated nine good men. These together with one affiliate, Bro. Tutwiler, of Va. Beta, bring our membership up to twenty-one. Our initiates are as follows: J. A. Gant, Macon, Ga.; Thomas Persons, Falbotton, Ga.; J. L. Barber, West Point, Ga.; J. and G. S. Englesby, Savannah, Ga.; O. H. Longino, Atlanta, Ga.; C. N. Thornton, Atlanta, Ga.; D. B. Pratt, Pell City, Ala., and F. C. Mandeville, Carrolton, Ga.

We have been unusually fortunate this year in the number of recommendations received. There is more material here this year than ever before and we expect to find others to add to our fold.

We have moved our quarters and are now better and more comfortably situated. On September 29, the new initiates were treated with a tally-ho ride and a supper. In closing, the chapter desires to record here its appreciation of the efforts of Bros. Merry, Kennedy, Putnam, Norman, Burroughs and Callaway all of whom rendered great aid during the rushing season.

H. H. ARRINGTON.

PROVINCE II.

CALIFORNIA GAMMA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The term is more than half over and it is going all too rapidly. This year Gamma Iota is on a better footing than ever before, with a total membership of eighteen, and all working hard for the fraternity. Since the last letter we have initiated three men, and I take this opportunity to introduce Bro. Lecell, '08; Bro. Farrell, '08, and Bro. Wright, '10. Bro. Farrell was a co-author in the Sophomore Burlesque, the annual play given by the Sophomore class. Last year Bros. Jones and Saddler had prominent parts in this burlesque. Bro. Wright is on the business staff of the *Daily Californian*, a prosperous paper which gives all the news of the college life. We regret to announce that Bro. Bray, '08, has taken out a year's leave of absence, but trust that next year will see him back with us.

This last month we entertained with a dance; Bro. Dagget and Mrs. Dagget honored us with their presence. There were about twenty couples, and every one reported a keen time.

Bro. Berlin, a charter member of the chapter at Washington and Lee University, and his wife, entertained the Gamma Iota and her alumni with a very delightful dance and supper. Bro. Dagget was one of the prominent A. T. O's of the coast who were present.

On the 13th of October the first intercollegiate game of Rugby was played between California and Stanford freshmen. Our freshmen won the game by the close score of 3-0. This new game was very exciting and was not marred by the many delays new to time-outs that occurred in the old game.

Interfraternity baseball has come into prominence this term. Twenty fraternities have joined the league and are now playing for a handsome cup. We played our first preliminary game against the Kappa Sigmas, which we won by 14-13. By these games the men become much better acquainted with one another and they serve to establish a better feeling of friendship and good fellowship between the houses.

Bro. Bauber dropped in for a little while last week from Tulare county.

Bro. Arnold who has just returned from an eastern trip presented this chapter with a nicely framed photograph of the pin which he took from the original while at Washington and Lee University.

EZRA S. FISH.

COLORADO GAMMA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Colorado Gamma Lambda entered into the new year with fifteen of her old men, Greenlee, Hudston, Thomson, Chase, Kelly, Christenson, Roller, Walsh, Garst, Hamberger, Wilson, Cary, Wheeler, Hood and Farr.

Several of the alumni were up for the rather strenuous rushing season and with their assistance we were able to pledge five of the very best freshmen. These we initiated about the first of October and desire to take this opportunity to introduce them to the fraternity at large as our following new brothers; Randolph Ballenger, Law; Frank W. Fruen, Eng.; Eugene Brewster, Eng.; John Kirton, Eng.; and Henry Hurlbut, Eng., all of Denver, Colo. The initiation was preceded by a feed and the new men were welcomed in true Alpha Tau spirit.

With the year now well advanced we can look back wholly satisfied. Our freshmen have settled down to routine work in the right way and proved that we made no mistakes in choosing them. In the social world we have managed to more than hold our own. An ovation that certainly made a hit was a roller skating party at the Armory. We had the hall to ourselves, the best of music, plenty of room to fall—and we might truthfully add—the keenest girls in the college.

We have received our share of honors too. Brewster was elected president of the freshmen Engineers; Ballenger is vice-president of the freshmen Laws; and four of our men, Christenson, Roller, Wilson and Brewster, are winning laurels on the football field. Kelly is managing the best *Silver and Gold* in years, and making a success of it financially.

Our annual banquet to be given some time next month is being looked forward to with much pleasant anticipation. It will probably be held at the Savoy Hotel, in Denver, this year, as our alumni members from all over the state can better be accommodated there.

Two or three of the brothers are planing to take the Birmingham trip. It has not yet been decided which one will be our regularly appointed delegate. At least four of our alumni members will attend.

WILL HOOD, JR.

LOUISIANA BETA EPSILON—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

On October 1st Tulane University again opened its doors and, as usual, we got in first and roped in the ten best men in college, whose names follow: Theodore Lyons, Donald Maginnis, Woodruff George, Boyd Watkins, Woodson Rainey, L. B. Maginnis, Henderson Norman, Jess Milliken, Joe B. Chaffe, Ernest Eustis.

Bros. Donald Maginnis and Joe Chaffe won the honor scholarships at the prep schools they attended last year.

Every one of our goats was elected to the German club, and we feel quite proud of this record as only one other frat had the same success in this line, and they had only two men to get through.

Bro. George is treasurer of his class and manager of the class football team. Bro. Eustis is secretary of the Freshman class.

Four of the twenty men selected to represent the freshmen in the tug of war were Alpha Taus, and we feel sure that this wise selection on the part of the class was responsible for the defeat of the sophomores.

For the 'Varsity we have out Bros. George, Eustis, and Janvier, and while it is as yet a little early to predict their success, still we have every reason to believe that some of them at least will make good. Bro. Westersfield, '06, is coaching the backs in punting, and under his guidance they are improving wonderfully.

The medical department has not yet opened, and we can not tell just what men we will get back out there.

As yet nothing has been said about our dance, but the freshmen all have the idea that we must get this important event over with as soon as possible, so it will probably take place at a very early date.

The reports of our chapter house committee are very promising and we are now certain that by the end of the present session our house will be well under way.

In the literary societies we are also doing very well and almost all of our freshmen have joined one or the other of these organizations.

We expect to get two or three new men in the course of the next few weeks, and we can truthfully say that the chapter has not been in better condition in years.

GEORGE JANVIER.

TEXAS GAMMA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The University of Texas opened its school session September the 26th, and Texas Gamma Eta returned three men; Henry P. Burney, Robert W. Tobin and Walter E. Giesen.

With the assistance of our alumni we have pledged and initiated seven good men, and we take great pleasure in introducing to our fraternity; Bros. R. Lamar Patterson, Tyler, Texas; Lewis W. Maury, Palestine, Texas; Grover C. Cole, Farris, Texas; Zeb Nixon, Luling, Texas; William Sims, Paint Rock, Texas; Chas. M. Truehart, Jr., Galveston, Texas; W. B. Munson, Denison, Texas.

Besides these we have received one transfer, Brother Leslie Maxey, (Texas Gamma Epsilon) of Sherman, Texas. This brings our chapter up to eleven men, and we feel confident that more will be added during the school year.

On the 16th of October we held our initiation. Several of our Houston alumni came up to assist us, R. W. Franklin, Tenn. Omega; A. S. Cleveland, Tenn. Omega; W. D. Cleveland, Tenn. Omega; Elliott Cage, Tenn. Omega; B. R. Latham and Bro. Sparks, Tenn. Alpha Tau. There were also present at our initiation our town alumni, Arthur F. Bishop, Georgia Alpha Beta; Walter Bremond, Tenn. Omega; T. W. Gregory, Virginia Delta; R. M. Watts, Texas Gamma Epsilon; and J. C. Brown, Jr., Texas Gamma Eta, LaGrange. After the initiation ceremony a banquet was held at the Driskill Hotel, and the gathering continued far into the night.

At present we are busily engaged in discussing plans for our chapter house and the approaching Congress is holding the attention of everyone, and many are the schemes for the reaching of Birmingham.

W. E. GIESEN.

PROVINCE III.

ILLINOIS GAMMA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The opening of the year 1906-7 is the beginning of a new epoch in the history of our chapter, owing to the fact that we have moved into a new chapter house built and owned by Gamma Zeta. Our new house is the outcome of many years of careful planing, and we are proud to say that it is the finest chapter house at Illinois. The house is Dutch colonial in architecture and contains twenty-two large rooms.

Nineteen of our old men returned this Fall and we are all looking forward to a very successful year.

Already we have initiated four new men, as follows: Harley A. Davis, Wm. T. Wehrsted, Clarence R. Clendenin, Malcolm E. Tompson.

The following are our pledges: Mr. Cyrus Phelps, Edward Gro, and Harry Dick.

Since the opening of school we have had visits from Bro. Cole, of Michigan, and Bro. Barrett, of Cornell, and of our alumni. Bros. Mueller, Elden, Boudenot, Mitchell, Gridley, and Martin.

On October 20th, 1906, Bro. Elden was married to Miss Leila King, of Rockford, Ill.

Bro. Stehman, '08; Bro. Sharkey, '09, and Bro. F. Dick, '07, did not return this Fall.

At present we are busy completing the arrangement for a big "house-warming" to take place during Thanksgiving vacation, and we hope to be able to get all of our alumni back for this event.

H. J. POWERS.

ILLINOIS GAMMA XI—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Illinois Gamma Xi started the Fall term under most favorable conditions. Eleven brothers returned to school, after most pleasant vacations, all ready and eager to take up the cause of A. T. O. So far we have succeeded in "spiking" five freshmen, and our prospects for one or two more are good. We hope that this number will partially offset the loss which we sustained by graduation last June.

At present it looks as though Chicago will be able to deliver the goods in football this Fall. We are represented on the team by Bros. Finger and Mefford; Bro. Finger has the honor of playing fullback on the fastest back-field in the West.

Bros. Rooney and C. E. Latchem have been spending the greater share of their time of late in the hospital. They are, however, convalescent and we hope that they will be with us after Xmas. We are fortunate in having Bros. DeColigny, and McDermott, of Maine Beta Upsilon, with us in the chapter house this year.

We have received many pleasant calls from alumni brothers passing through the city. Any Alpha Tau official key fits our front door. Walk in.

PAUL ANDRUS.

INDIANA GAMMA GAMMA—ROSE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Indiana Gamma Gamma returned to Rose Poly for this year's work, six strong, with very good prospects for the chapter's welfare. We have already initiated two men, whom we are glad to introduce to the fraternity at large; Alfred W. Homberger, Instructor in Chemistry here and Clarence V. D. Dilley, of the Class of 1909. On account of faculty regulations, freshmen may not be pledged until after the Christmas vacation. However, we are sure to get several good men of this class when the time for pledging comes, and so it is a matter of only two or three months when our number will be increased.

On getting back to school this Fall, we were very sorry to learn that two of our undergraduate brothers were not to be back. Bro. Struck is attending school at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and reports that he is home-sick for chapter life once more, and so hopes to be back with us next year. Bro. Whitehead remained out of school this year, having the position of chemist in the American Glucose Company's laboratory at Pekin, Ill.

The chapter remains as well balanced as ever in holding its own in all departments of college life. All are up in scholarship. Then we have men on all the athletic teams representing the school. During the present season Bros. Douthett, Wickliffe, and McDaniel are on the football team. Then Bro. McDaniel is manager of the baseball team, while Bro. Miner is looking after the interests of the basketball team.

Gamma Gamma is hoping to have several men present at the Congress in Birmingham when it meets in December.

C. L. MONTGOMERY.

INDIANA GAMMA OMICRON—PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Indiana Gamma Omicron started the year in a very prosperous condition and looks forward to a successful year.

Fifteen old men answered the first roll call, among whom we were glad to find Bros. Kothe and Meldram. Both of these brothers were charter members of this chapter and were '06 men who discontinued their work here last year and have come back to finish this year. We are very happy in having with us Bro. McKelvey, of Ohio Gamma Kappa, '06, who has affiliated with us. Bro. McKelvey is an instructor in the Chemistry Department and bids fair to become a very popular member of the faculty. We have pledged five good freshmen whom we will initiate the first of April, faculty regulations prohibiting the initiation of freshmen until that date.

We will celebrate our anniversary this year with a House Party, November 23-25, at which time we hope to have as many of our alumni back as possible.

We are informed that Bro. Will Martin, of Michigan Beta Omicron, and one of the founders of this chapter, has announced his engagement to Miss Lillian Stone, of Toledo. Indiana Gamma Omicron offers heartiest congratulations.

Several of the brothers have visited us since the opening of school, among whom were Bros. Hoard, of New York Alpha Omicron; Wood, of Illinois Gamma Xi; Folsom, of New York Beta Theta; and Morrow, Bragg, Rogers, Bridges, Teetor, Morgan, Newnam, Warner, all alumni of this chapter.

FRANK J. MELDRAM.

IOWA BETA ALPHA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

As is almost the case reports of the rushing season show innumerable victories for Alpha Tau Omega. Beta Alpha can truly send in such a report. Our four new pledges, Will Billingsly, Robert Phelps, Dan Stuart and Milton Beebe are strong men, expecting to be with us the full four years. Their influence will be felt both in and outside the fraternity.

We are fortunate in having such a large portion of our membership return to work this Fall, there being thirteen active members and one pledge. Our active membership has been increased by the initiation of Phelps and Billingsly.

We are getting somewhat settled in our new chapter house. Because of our increasing demands our last year's house seemed inadequate for another year's use, but our new house is an improvement in a great many ways. Although not perfect in every detail we are proud to claim it as our home.

Football is not played at Simpson this year on account of a ruling of the trustees. In the Fall track meet four of our fellows showed ability in several lines and next Spring we hope to make a strong showing on the track.

We are sorry the coming Congress will not be near enough to attend in a body, but as it is we will await with eagerness the glowing reports of our representative.

BERT HARRIS.

KANSAS GAMMA MU—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The University opened September 12th with a registration larger than ever before. Fourteen Alpha Taus answered roll call despite the fact that we lost three men by graduation and several stayed out for other reasons.

That we have not been idle is shown by the fact that we have pledged four new men, one of whom we have initiated. While some fraternities have excelled us in numbers none can boast of better men than the four who have "gone" Alpha Tau. Our new member is Robert Hackman, and our pledges are William Senseman, Paul Lobaugh, and Wesley Stout. There is still some good fraternity material among the freshmen and we will not rest until we have secured our full share.

Bros. Farnsworth and Turner were elected members of the University Dramatic Club. Bro. Brett, an old member of the club will have a leading part in the play to be given this year. Bro. Lebrecht is business manager of the *Kansas Lawyer*, a paper edited by the law school of the University. Bros. Farnsworth and Brett are experts at tennis and will do their best to represent the University in the tournaments this year. We are sorry to say that Bro. Richter was compelled to leave school on account of his health. We hope he will be able to resume his work next term.

We will celebrate the fifth anniversary of our chapter on November 21st by giving a large party in the finest hall in the city. We are proud of the growth of our chapter during the five years of its existence and we hope that we and our successors will be able to advance its interests as our predecessors have done.

E. M. BARTHOLOW.

MICHIGAN ALPHA MU—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

When school opened we were agreeably surprised when eight active men returned to participate in the Fall campaign.

Although the attendance is 25 per cent. greater this year than it has been for some time, there seems to be a scarcity of good fraternity material.

As yet we have held no initiation but have three pledged men, we will introduce to the Greek world in the near future.

As usual Alpha Tau is holding her share of the school honors.

The Athletic Association has introduced a student system of coaching and Bro. Gray has complete control. Under his direction the football team is making a grand showing and gives promise of being the best one Adrian has had for years.

Bro. Gray is also President of Lambdi Phi Literary Society, Editor-in-Chief of the *College World*, and will represent the college at the State Oratorical Contest this Winter.

On the football team we are represented by Bro. White at end; Bro. Geran at center and Bro. Gray at halfback. Two of our pledged men also hold regular positions on the team.

Five Taus accompanied the team to Albion, October 20th, and we had a jolly good time. Our stay in the city was short, but while there we met the brothers of Beta Omicron and mighty good fellows they are. They were unkind enough to defeat us at football but certainly tried to atone for the damage done by royally entertaining us afterwards.

The fellows are all casting longing glances towards Birmingham and the sunny South and we hope to have two or more of our men there to attend the next Congress.

We were visited this Fall by Bros. Beck and Owens, who stirred up a lot of enthusiasm among the fellows.

Bro. Harry Michener was also with us during the first two weeks of school and helped start the new year going.

When he left to resume his work with the American Window Glass Co. of Pittsburgh he made our hearts glad by saying he would be in school next year. Any time you are in Pittsburgh, call on Harry and he will show you a time that is right.

Bro. March, of Ohio Alpha Nu, spent the week of October 21-28 in our city in the interest of the American Repertoire Co., of which he is owner.

After an informal meeting at our chapter hall October 24th, the fellows were guests of Bro. March at a theatre party. After it was over the fellows wished there were more Taus in the theatrical business.

Bro. Riley, '06, is now at the head of a Lyceum Bureau and has located in Adrian just for the sake of being with the fellows again.

R. S. RITCHIE.

MICHIGAN BETA KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

It gives the chapter pleasure to greet the brothers in Alpha Tau Omega fraternity with the announcement that Beta Kappa is now installed in her new home, 153 Hillsdale street. Our chapter house is conveniently situated in the most desirable part of town and under the care of Mrs. Hill, our matron seven years ago in the old fraternity house, presents a cosy and home-like appearance.

Although we have but seven old members on our chapter roll the deficiency in mere numbers is more than compensated by the spirit of unity and perseverance which was manifested and which dominated all endeavors to maintain the high standing of Beta Kappa in all the avenues of college activity. While we deeply regret the absence of so many of the familiar faces which last year surrounded us, we feel encouraged by the presence of the new brothers who have come among us to fill the vacancies and take up the work left by those we lost last year. The chapter introduces to the fraternity at large as enthusiastic Alpha Taus, Bro. Francis Mitchell, Adrain, Mich.; Bro. Crowell Eddy, Hillsdale, Mich.; and Arthur Mitchell, Charles L. Holt, Ira D. Fales, Volney Reynolds, and Walter Oliver as wearers of the stars and crescent.

Alpha Tau Omega is well represented in the various college activities. Bro. Knapp is prominent in Y. M. C. A. work and was made, by faculty appointment, business manager of the college paper. Bro. Eddy is president of his Library Society. In athletics we have by no means lost our prestige, having five men on the 'Varsity. Bro. Hogan is M. I. A. A. director and left halfback. Arthur Mitchell, the 200 lb. tackle is university timber.

We are putting forth our most strenuous efforts to send a strong delegation to the Birmingham Congress in December. Several of our alumni have promised to attend.

HARRY W. BROWER.

MICHIGAN BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

November finds Beta Lambda settled for the Winter and settled too in the proper manner.

Twelve of our old men returned, and we are glad to welcome Bros. D. H. Shaffer, Penna. Alpha Pi, and C. M. Deakin, Ohio Gamma Kappa, who have affiliated with us.

W. E. Fermann, Madison, Wis.; C. L. Bradt, Detroit, Mich., and J. H. Guenther, Jamestown, N. Y., are wearing our buttons. Guenther is out for the 'Varsity, and Bradt is running for secretary of his class.

Bro. Saylor was elected as representative from his class to the Student Council.

A tally-ho party to Whitmore Lake and a smoker in the house were two of the most enjoyable events of our rushing season.

Football prospects here are brightening up quite a bit, notwithstanding the knocks that the game has received in the past year and the fact that only five games are permitted on the schedule. There is even some hope of seeing something like an old time game, when the Michigan-Pennsy game comes off on November 17th.

Since school opened we have had the pleasure of visits from Bros. Michener, Michigan Alpha Mu; Gunn, Kansas Gamma Mu, and Kime, one of our own alumni.

C. C. MILLER.

MICHIGAN BETA OMICRON—ALBION COLLEGE.

Thus far we have initiated J. Clifford Smith, and before the PALM goes to press Bros. Elmer Pryor and Carle Ginle will have been on the goat.

This year has opened with a rush of new students and very bright prospects for Alpha Tau. We have already pledged three who will do honor to Alpha Tau.

GEORGE B. HUNT.

MINNESOTA GAMMA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

This year has opened with perhaps a better outlook for Minnesota Gamma Nu's than ever before. There returned to college in September twelve of our old men and these with the six we have already initiated gives us a representation in every class in college life.

We take pleasure in presenting them to the fraternity at large; they are Robert H. Saxton, '09; Edward J. Pohlman, '09; Harry C. Reed, '08; Harold S. Smith, '09; Alfred I. Mellenthin, '08; and Roger F. Burns, '09, all of whom have already shown the true Alpha Tau spirit. We have besides these pledged, Malcolm McMillian, Harold Rossman, Arthur Rossman, and George Woods.

As to honors, we have received fully our share but are still out for more. Bro. Saxton is playing a star game at left end on the freshman squad, and Bro. Schuckneck who easily won his "M" last year is again holding down the left halfback position with credit. Bro. Strathern who has gained his laurels many times in the game is now head coach of the fresh-squad.

At a late meeting of the baseball nine last Spring Bro. Caldwell was elected captain for the coming year. On the Glee Club we are also well represented by Bros. Burns, Pohlman, and Caldwell, and McMillan will probably be soon playing the piano for the Mandolin Club.

On October 15th we opened our social season by giving an informal dance in one of the large down town halls. Many of the alumni turned out, among them being Bros. Crawford and Lyons from Cornell and Bro. Eisner from Illinois, who has accepted a position in the Northwestern Conservatory of Music. It was a decided success and we are planning to hold these regularly once a month.

Several of our boys accompanied the football team to Chicago on November 10th and were royally entertained by the Chicago Gamma Xi's.

CLARENCE E. HILL.

MISSOURI GAMMA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The opening of the school year of 1906-7 found eleven of the old brothers back and ready for the trials and pleasures of the second and critical year of our chapter life. We also had the pleasure of adding to our chapter roll the name of Bro. B. F. Kagay, of Effingham, Ill., an affiliate from Virginia Beta, who has entered the law department of the University.

Thus far we have two initiates, Sawnie R. Loftin, Tyler, Texas, and E. A. Fessenden, St. Louis, Mo. These we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large. We also have three pledges to whom we expect to introduce "Mr. William Goat" in the near future.

We have received an invitation to join the Gamma Mu brothers and the Kansas City alumni in their annual banquet given in Kansas City on Thanksgiving Eve. We are looking forward to this event with much pleasure and expect to send a large delegation. We are also beginning to think of the Congress at Birmingham and several of us are planning to be there.

D. J. MACKIE.

NEBRASKA GAMMA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Nebraska Gamma Theta is installed in her new chapter house at 226 North 26th street, an ideal frat house. We are only eleven strong this year. Bros. Smith and Shumway not returning, but we have more enthusiasm than ever.

We wish to introduce two new brothers, Will Davey and Glen Venerick, pledges from last year. Also Arbor Barth who entered school two years ago.

Our rushing season is not very strenuous this year, owing to the new Inter-Frat rules. We are simply spending our time getting acquainted with the new men and will initiate some of them after Thanksgiving when the "open season" begins. We fully realize the benefits to be obtained in time from a more critical choice of men yet we find it rather hard to adjust ourselves so suddenly to such a thorough change of tactics. Some of the chapters here are in bad shape as a result.

Football enthusiasm is not waxing as strong as of old. The Glee Club has become one of the most important institutions in the University. The lucky members, of which we have several, will make an extended tour of the West in the Spring.

We are in mourning for two of our alumni, Bro. Ed. A. Gordon, '02, and Bro. Roy Candwell, '04.

Alpha Phi Sorority has installed a chapter in University of Nebraska this Fall.

RONALD CONKLING.

WASHINGTON GAMMA PI—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Since our last letter we have been exceptionally busy looking after new Alpha Tau material and as a result have succeeded in pledging eleven good men, seven of whom have already been initiated. Our new brothers are B. V. Canutt, H. O. Bragg, J. A. McPhee, George G. Lail, Elzie V. Vachon, Rudolph H. Rupp, and Leroy Lamb.

Our new initiates are all freshmen with the exception of Bro. Rupp, who last year was President of the Freshman class and is now a member of the Board of Control of the Associated Students of our University.

Bro. Owen Crim, '07, is captain of the football team and every indication points to a very successful season in that line. Bro. Canutt has been turning out faithfully for the team and his prospects are very bright for making the 'Varsity. Bro. Lindsay decided to teach school this year and will not be with us as we expected. He secured the Principalship of Schools at Fairfax, Wash. Bro. Fischer, '06, had charge of a surveying party during the Summer months but has returned to Seattle. He expects shortly to accept a position in Oregon as Mining Engineer. Bro. J. Mitchell, '05, is Principal of Schools, at Fife, Wash. He is also taking a special teachers course given at the University on Saturdays and consequently drops in to see us every week. "Daddy" Van Brunt was in town during the week of October 8th and spent several days with us. He brought along his usual share of paternal advice and dispensed it with his customary good nature. Bro. Deland, has been actively engaged in working up an Alumni Association of Alpha Taus in this State. Bro. Randell, '06, who is engaged in the real estate business in Seattle, is an occasional visitor and never forgets to bring a goodly supply of "chestnuts." Our first Fall initiation took place on October 13th. Outside brothers present were, Bro. C. E. Piper, Mich. Beta Mu; Bros. Deland, Lindsay, and Fischer. Bros. Thomas and Wilkinson, who spent the Summer in Alaska with a surveying party, returned on the 19th of October. They report a very profitable and enjoyable season.

Our house was extensively remodeled during the Summer months and we are now able to say that the latch string is always on the outside and we hope will be used by itinerant A. T. O's.

F. M. CROLLARD.

PROVINCE IV.

MAINE BETA UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MAINE.

I feel perfectly safe in saying that never before in the memory of the present members of Beta Upsilon have we returned with such brilliant prospects. With one exception all the old men were back in college long before the rushing season began. This exception was Bro. Tabor who left us to pursue his studies at Harvard. We feel that we are to be congratulated in securing such a promising addition to our numbers as the following brothers we have initiated: Charles Tucker, Portsmouth N. H.; Robie P. Littlefield, Agumquit, Me.; Charles E. Kimball, Dover, Me.; John W. Stobie, Waterville, Me.; Hugh N. Danforth, Denison, Texas; Albert H. Jones, Union, Me.; George LeMache, Orono, Me.; George L. Stanwood, Rumford Falls, Me.; George C. Ward, Rinnebunk, Me. The initiation of the above brothers took place on the evening of October 10th and 29th, respectively.

An innovation was introduced this year in the shape of a banquet at which toasts were given by several of the older brothers for the benefit of the new brothers.

The brothers in Beta Upsilon all have at heart some phase of the advancement of this "Alma Mater." In athletics this is especially true to a very great extent. Hosmer is president of the Athletic Association, this being the second consecutive year that we have held this honor in the house. On the football team we have Burliegh, who is captain of the same, and Boyle and Miner. Miner will be remembered as the All-Maine quarterback of last year and bids fair to claim that honor again. Stuart is captain of the basketball team, a sport which bids fair this year to advance very much in favor at the University.

Miner is to manage the baseball team in the Spring.

Pray and Lynch represented us on the '09 baseball team this Fall.

In the musical clubs, Boyle is leader of the Glee Club and Tucker is playing in the University Orchestra. We rejoice in the fact that we have an efficient orchestra in the house, composed of Boyle, Tucker, Ward, and Danforth.

The standard of scholarship at the house is higher than ever this year. Washburn, '07, is assistant in chemistry while Galland, '07, and Smith, '08, are approved tutors in Modern Languages and Mathematics respectively.

In the College Literary work we are represented by Milliken who is assistant editor of the *Campus* and an associate editor of the *Prism*, the college annual.

Williams is vice-president of the Senior class.

At the Law School in Bangor this year we have Bros. Davidson and Morrison of this chapter and Bro. O'Hallaran of Beta Zeta.

We have been visited during the past month by the following alumni: Bros. Whitlier, E. C. Thomas, Gilbert and Leonard. Bro. Flanders, '05, is still stopping with us in the house. Also, we were much gratified to receive a visit from Bro. James, of Penn. Tau.

During their football trips, Bros. Burliegh, Miner and Boyle have been entertained at the Mass. Beta Gamma, and Gamma Beta chapters.

We are all anticipating closer communication with our sister chapters through our delegates whom we send to Birmingham to the Congress.

F. P. HOSMER.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA—COLBY COLLEGE.

The men we would introduce to our fraternity are Ralph P. Davis and William G. Ramsden, and before the PALM letter again comes due more brothers will have been initiated; several of whom are already "pledge-lings."

Now as to what our chapter is doing in the college activities. On the 'Varsity we are represented by Bro. Thompson who is playing a good game at center, and Bro. Sherburne who is more than holding his own at left tackle. We also "own" the assistant manager of the team.

We shall have more than our share of members of the musical clubs this year. Bro. Berry will be pianist for the Glee Club and Orchestra. Bros. Ramsden and Hoskell are members of the College Band.

Bro. Jones has been elected assistant editor of the *Echo*, the college weekly, and also of the *Oracle*, the annual publication.

On the Students' Committee of the Conference Board we are represented by Bros. Berry and Moore. Bro. Berry is chairman of this committee.

Bro. Rush is chairman of the Executive Committee of the College Debating Society.

Bro. Moore is Senior Class Prophet; Bro. Libby is toastmaker of the Junior class, and Bro. Jones, orator. Bro. E. W. Merrill is vice-president of the Sophomore class.

Our annual initiation banquet will take place sometime next month and preparations are now being made to make it an occasion long to be remembered among the list of college festivities. This is the one time during the year when we meet many of the alumni, and this in and of itself is the chief source of enjoyment.

V. RAY JONES.

MASS. BETA GAMMA—MASS. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

It is with a very great sense of gratification that Beta Gamma greets her sister chapters with the news that she is comfortably established in a house. The situation is all that can be desired relative to proximity to the Institute buildings, and 26 Newberry street is "open house" for all A. T. O. brothers while in Boston.

But this has not been our only success, for every A. T. O. nominee in the Senior class election was successful, and three offices are held by our

men. Bro. Macomber has been appointed general manager of the Tech Show, while Bro. Griswold has made first mandolin in the Musical Organization.

Beta Gamma lost but four brothers during the past year, Bros. Bell, Bailey and Key through graduation, while Bro. Neill does not intend returning to school. At present there are twelve brothers and five pledged men living in the house. Our rushing season has been all that could be desired, having pledged six men, and with the addition of two more we will consider our chapter roll complete.

The following men will have become true A. T. O's before this appears in print, and it is my pleasure to introduce Elbert Daniel Greene, '10, Pueblo, Colo.; Richard Frederic Goodwin, Jr., '10, Norwich, Conn.; Roy Maxwell Anderson, '10, Camborne, B. C.; C. Curtis Webb, '10, Cambridge, Mass.; Leander Allen Dow, '10, Spokane, Wash., and W. Craig Ferguson, '09, Adams, Mass.

We are also pleased to add that our already large list of affiliates has been increased by one, by the arrival of Bro. Child, Minnesota Gamma Nu.

WALTER B. GONDER.

MASSACHUSETTS GAMMA BETA—TUFTS COLLEGE.

Gamma Beta started the Fall term with seventeen names on the chapter roll, besides having several alumni members residing near the college and taking their meals at the frat table. Five new men have already been selected from the entering class, and two from the Sophomore class. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity the following brothers: Bro. Carl P. Hubbard, '09, of Woburn, Mass.; Bro. Donald P. Ritschy, '10, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bro. Cleveland C. Soper, '10, of Hartford, Conn.; Bro. Robert S. Fullerton, '10, of Roxbury, Mass.; Bro. Ruel H. Smith, '10, of Attleboro, Mass.; Bro. Vernon E. Blagbrough, '10, of Orange, Mass. In addition to these we have pledged Mr. Alfred L. Buck, '09, of Stoneham, Mass., whom we expect to initiate very soon.

Seven of the brothers spent a very delightful vacation on the shores of Lake Pearl, at Franklin, Mass., during part of the Summer, and reported on their return that it was an ideal camping ground for A. T. O's.

At the opening of college, Bro. Lawrence B. Evans, Prof. of History and Public Law, gave the chapter a very interesting talk on his travels abroad during the Summer months.

Gamma Beta has certainly obtained her share of honor this Fall. Bro. Howard Cousins was recently elected Marshall of the Sophomore class, and Bro. Blagbrough has just been elected president of the Freshman class. Bro. Mason and Powers have been elected to the Ivy, the honorary Junior Society. Bros. Hubbard and Cousins have attained places on the 'Varsity eleven, and are both making a fine showing on the gridiron.

An A. T. O. Orchestra has just been started at the house, which will probably play at several of the college dances during the year.

GEO. S. CUMMINGS.

RHODE ISLAND GAMMA DELTA—BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Sixteen of last year's chapter returned this Fall and we are fortunate in having with us Bros. Martin and Van Bargaen, of New York Alpha Omicron. To these eighteen Taus we are glad to announce that we have added three new members at the time of writing and we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity our new brothers: Ralph H. Wilmarth, Guy R. Hicken, and Fred C. Gardner.

Plans are on foot for a banquet to be held soon at which we hope to have as many of our alumni attend as can and also all brothers who are in neighboring chapters.

Bro. Ehmke who played fullback on the 'Varsity last Fall was unable to play this year because of a serious operation which he was obliged to undergo last Winter for apendicitis.

Bro. Young has been elected Treasurer of the Junior class. Bros. Ladd and Ehmke figured prominently in the Fall track meet and secured the second and third best individual scores.

H. S. YOUNG.

VERMONT BETA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The rushing season this Fall has been a very successful one. The entering class was rich in "frat" material, and Beta Zeta took her share of the best. Eight good men have been pledged, and will soon be full fledged brothers in A. T. O. The pledged men are: Crowell, '09; Wright, '10; Higgins, '10; Powers, '10; Beard, '10; Farley, '10; Ramsey, '0; Stimets, '10.

Initiation and Banquet take place on the evening of November 1st, and the Initiation Ball takes place the following evening.

Bro. Hard is assistant manager of football this season and Bro. Spencer is associate manager of the *Ariel*. More honors are expected soon, and it is expected that Bro. Wright, '10, will soon be wearing his "V" for football.

Beta Zeta will make an effort to send more than one active man to Birmingham, and a few alumni should be present.

R. A. SPENCER.

PROVINCE V.

N. Y. ALPHA OMICRON—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY.

Although the chapter has recently suffered the loss of six men either by graduation or departure, it nevertheless begins the year with bright and encouraging prospects. We now have a membership of fourteen but owing to the small entering class and the comparatively few men who were up to the A. T. O. standard we have only three men pledged.

Alpha Omicron is well represented in college affairs. Many of her men holding the chief places of honor. With Bros. Priest, president of the student body, Main, president of the Senior class, Dyer, president of the Sophomore class, and Calder, president of the Freshman class, Alpha Omicron feels confident of a successful year. We have also six men on the football team.

Bro. Partridge recently paid us a visit and had with him the plans for our new club house, the work on which he assures us will be begun in the early Spring.

J. ALBERT O'BRIEN.

N. Y. ALPHA LAMBDA—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Alpha Lambda has opened the year very prosperously in a new apartment within two blocks of the University campus. Four of the men live here, and a number of the others take their meals at the house.

Two new members have been initiated,—Bro. Marshall and Bro. Knight, both in class 1908.

We have had a number of successful smokers, and on October 6, we went as a body to the Vanderbilt Cup Races over on Long Island, taking with us a number of men we are looking over. Afterwards we brought the men back to dinner, and an informal smoker in the evening.

Bro. McBain is in Albany working on his dissertation for degree of Ph. D., so he can be with us only at intervals.

Bro. French is on the Lacrosse team. Bro. Grunsky has made the track team. Bro. Beattie has been elected president of the 1907 class Science.

We returned nine men strong and with subsequent initiations this number has been raised to eleven. The outlook is very favorable and by next year we expect to have a house near the University.

H. M. BEATTIE.

NEW YORK BETA THETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Although we are sorry to miss so many of the old faces, yet we are glad that we have been so successful during the rushing season. There are some thirty odd fraternities here at Cornell and naturally the competition to get hold of the best men is decidedly strenuous. The A. T. O's came back early in September, worked hard, and as a result, our new initiates are second to none. We take great pleasure in introducing our new brothers: Henry Walker Alexander, '08; Donald Stewart, '08; James Scott Kiehl, '09; Herbert Durand Kneeland, '10; Richard Knibloe, '10; Otis Lord Farley, '10. Three affiliates are with us: E. P. Bradley, '07, Maine Beta Upsilon; L. R. Smallman, '10, Michigan Beta Lambda; A. C. Beckman, G, Indiana Gamma Omicron.

Our initiation banquet took place on October 19th and was truly a successful affair. Bro. Charles E. Cornell, a trustee of the University, and Bro.

Blin Sill Cushman, of the Chemistry department, were present and spoke most entertainingly. Bros. R. R. Drake, '05, and G. R. McDermott, '05, and Bros. J. M. Burns, '10, Pa. Alpha Pi, and A. H. Jones, '07, Colorado Gamma Lambda, were also present.

Two of our number have been elected to the Senior honorary societies: Bro. Cornell to Sphinx Head and Bro. Hooper to Quill and Dagger.

The upper-class elections—especially momentous this year because of certain so-called "reform" movements which have been on foot for some time—are just over. The A. T. O's came in for their share of the honors. Bro. Hooper was elected crew-director of the Senior class; and Bro. Trube was elected track-director of the Junior class.

Bros. Willcox, R. A. Smallman and Stewart are hard at work practicing for the coming concerts of the Cornell Musical Clubs. Four of us are members of the Masque; Bros. L. Knibloe, Willcox, Coe and Ellsworth. Bro. R. Knibloe has qualified in the preliminary trials.

Bro. Stewart is a member of the editorial staff of the *Cornell Daily Sun*. Bro. Farley has entered the freshman competition for a position on the staff.

Bro. Trube is hard at work with the cross-country team. Bro. Batty is trying for the assistant managership of the club.

HERBERT L. TRUBE.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA IOTA—MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

Our chapter has now fairly begun what we believe will be a very successful year. Since our last letter to the PALM we have initiated four new men, viz: Paul M. Reed, '09, Austin Canning, '10, Clarence A. Snyder, '10, and Clayton S. Gernert, '10.

Bros. Kline, Smith and Nonnamaker are our representatives on the football team this year. The team has so far made the good record of two victories and a defeat. Bro. Keiter has been elected assistant basketball manager; Bro. Beck, assistant manager of the baseball team. Bro. Schatz is business manager of the *Ciarla*, the annual publication of the Junior class.

We have sixteen men in the chapter at the present time and hope to increase this number to twenty by the end of the term. We have several good men pledged and hope to introduce them as brothers in our next letter.

S. J. BOYER.

PA. ALPHA PI—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

We are forging ahead once more even in advance of our greatest hopes. Notwithstanding numerous difficulties which faced us at the beginning of the college year, the true spirit of Alpha Tau inspired each man to double activity and as a result, I take great pleasure in introducing the following six worthy initiates to Alpha Tau Omega: Harry L. Allshouse, '09; Walter G. Banfield, '10; Charles M. Richards, '10; Mark S. Borland, '10; Fred T. Aschman, '10; Joseph C. McCune, '10.

In addition to these new A. T. O's we are fortunate in the return to college of some old brothers whose college courses had been cut prematurely short. F. W. Kiefer, ex-'05, who left college at the end of his sophomore year has again registered. Bro. Tannar, ex-'07, who left college during his junior year has also reentered. Kiefer is one of the 'Varsity's most efficient right ends and is at present "at home" to friends at the training house.

A number of the late as well as the old grads were with us on the night of the initiation: Bros. Kuder, '02; McBrier, '04; McDonough, '04; Irvin, Hays, McFarland, James and Morgan, of the '06 class; also Barton, ex-'08; and Core, ex-'09.

It is needless to state that with the aid of all these initiating stars the 'goat' was kept wide awake.

At present our 1906 graduates are scattered to the four winds. Blankenbuehler is attending Boston Tech; James, Carnegie Tech; Morgan, Western Pennsylvania Medical College; Hays holds a responsible position in San Francisco; McFarland is coaching the Morganza football team; while Irwin is holding the enviable position of Professor in History and English in the W. & J. Academy. He is a frequent visitor at the house and a most welcome one. McDonough is also still serving the college as assistant instructor in Chemistry. Indeed we feel justly proud of our representation on both the College and Academy Faculties. Bro. W. W. Donaldson holds the position of prefect in the Academy. Bros. H. B. Richardson, S. B. Robinson, and D. M. Donaldson are each managing college boarding houses.

Before "Mother" Loucks speculated in matrimonial stock his visits to the house were quite frequent. Since then, however, they have been few and far between and are for that reason looked forward to with so much the more pleasure. He favored us recently as did also Bro. Sam Eckels who was with us on the day of the Dickinson game.

Bro. Springer, '08, has been chosen to represent us at Birmingham. Originally from the South, he is gloating over the prospect of being "taken back through Old Virginia." In addition, may I add that any brother passing through or near our city is most cordially invited to drop in. He will ever find an open house, a hearty grip, and a place to rest in good fellowship.

WM. W. DONALDSON.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA RHO—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The 17th of September found all the brothers back and ready to begin the strenuous "rushing season" which we knew was coming. We had lost ten men, five by graduation, and five who did not return for various reasons, but some of whom will undoubtedly be with us again next year. Our loss has been heavy and we will especially feel the absence of our five '06 men, who for four years have been untiring in their labors for the good of the

chapter and the fraternity. Bros. Dietrich and King were back again after an absence of a year and a term respectively, and by the middle of October we received a most valuable reinforcement in the person of Bro. Cummins, who had been absent a year.

We immediately proceeded to get busy with the freshmen, and as a result we take great pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity our new brothers: L. A. Pullis, '10, N. Y.; C. C. Tressler, '10, Pa.; W. E. Smith, '10, Pa., and Bonander, '10, Con. By our next letter we will have probably added several names to the list.

When the Founder's Day games between the sophs and freshmen came around Bro. Young ran for the sophs on the relay team, and Bros. Tressler and W. E. Smith won their numerals on the Freshman baseball team.

On the football squad we are represented by Bros. Tressler and Bonander. While Bro. M. L. H. Smith is a cheer leader and will again be an end-man in the minstrel show, he is also a member of the University quartet.

Bro. Hesse has been elected to the Tau Beta Pi, the honorary technical fraternity, this will give us more men in this organization than any frat in college.

THOMSON KING.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA UPSILON—GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

We opened the year with the brightest prospects, out of twelve active men in the chapter last year, eleven have returned, Bro. J. N. Hartman having graduated. We have initiated G. M. Stock, '08 and J. Swartz, '08, and have new pledged: Bennett '11, C. Hartman, '12, and Robt Hartman, '12. Bro. Diehl, '03, is still with us, as he still has a year in the Seminary.

The chapter held a hop in the house on September 18th in honor of the new brothers and some friends. Bros. Brumbaugh, '07, Swartz, '08, J. H. McClure, '08, W. H. McClure, '08, Topper, '08, Stock, '08, Raby, '09, and Blume pledged are on the 'Varsity football squad while Phillipy, '09 and Bennett pledged are on the Reserves. Bro. C. C. Hartman at a recent meeting of the musical clubs was elected manager for the coming season. He is also manager of the basketball team. Bro. N. G. Phillipy was elected president of the Sophomore class. Bro. W. W. Hartman, '06, spent several days with the chapter this Fall, before returning to his work at W. U. of P. Law School. An informal euchre and dance was held by the chapter, Thursday evening, October 18th. Bro. Wm. B. McClure is assistant manager of the football team. Bro. Reinard, '03, spent a few days with the chapter this Fall.

C. L. S. RABY.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Pennsylvania Tau opened the year with twenty active members. Two members of the class of 1906 still remain with us, but the rest have gone. The October smokers were a great success. Since then we have initiated nine men, six of who belong to the entering class. Besides them, we have three pledges from the same class.

We are still active in college matters. Waite has been elected president of the Juniors. Sawyer is out for football and wrestling. Williams is out for the track team. Gawthrop stroked the Freshman fall crew. Stoevers, a pledge, rowed on this crew. In addition to this, some of our members are trying for the Glee and Mandolin Club and other organizations. Connor is on the Junior Dance Committee and Bailey and Dwyer are on the Junior Week Committee. The new members are as follows: DeLong, '07; Dwyer, '08; Ochs, '09; Ritter, '10; Williams, '10; Wunderle, '10; Gawthrop, '10; Whiteside, '10.

ARTHUR F. LATIMER.

PROVINCE VI.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Having had its Fall initiation, N. C. Alpha Delta takes pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity the following initiates: W. H. S. Burgwyn, Jr., Law, '07, of Jackson, N. C.; Elden Bayley, '09, of Springfield, Ohio; Joe Fitzsimons, '09, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Duncan MacRae, '09, of Chapel Hill, N. C.; Donald MacRae, '09, of Chapel Hill, N. C.; Donald Ray, '09, of Fayetteville, N. C.

Three of our last year's chapter failed to return this Fall, but with our new men we now have twelve active members and three inactive.

In celebration of the initiation, the older members of the chapter recently gave to the new ones a most delightful banquet, which was greatly enjoyed by all present. Between courses appropriate toasts were made, which were aptly responded to by the initiates.

On September 28th, at his beautiful home on Franklin Avenue, Bro. J. H. Pratt again showed his true Alpha Tau loyalty by entertaining the chapter at a stag supper. Decorations in the fraternity colors were in evidence and fraternal fellowship prevailed.

Alpha Delta is proud to have Bros. McNeill and Sutton on the 'Varsity football team, and Bros. MacRae and Bayley on the scrub team. Bro. Pemberton has been elected captain of the Senior football team.

Bro. McNeill is on the University Athletic Advisory Committee, vice-president of the Law class, and has recently joined a Junior order.

Bro. Pogue, who graduated last year, is again with us, taking post-graduate work. He has accepted the position of assistant in Economic Geology.

At a recent meeting of the Senior class, Bro. T. T. McAden was elected Class Treasurer.

Before our next letter to the PALM, we hope to initiate another good man into our ranks.

In closing, we would like to say that our chapter house door is always open, and any Alpha Tau can always be assured of a hearty welcome here.

JAS. T. MCADEN.

NORTH CAROLINA XI—TRINITY COLLEGE.

Our present outlook is brighter than it has been at any time in the past few years. We have five men pledged, four from the Freshman and one from the Junior class. From the four freshmen pledged have been elected the president, vice-president and treasurer of the class. In addition to this our three juniors have been initiated into the Junior organization. This is considered an honor.

Wadsworth is at home in Charlotte this year. R. G. Baldwin is taking graduate work at Yale. A. G. Odell paid us a little visit a few days ago which was much appreciated.

We enjoy the presence of our alumni from down town at our meetings, and they are frequently with us. Our Chapel Hill brothers have called on us once or twice this year. They have a fine chapter.

SAMUEL T. THORNE, JR.

SOUTH CAROLINA BETA XI—COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON.

College opened on the 2d of October under favorable auspices for Beta Xi as most of last year's chapter returned, and we have already pledged four good men who will be Alpha Taus when this is published. The long heralded South Carolina Alumni Association was formed on the 29th of September at the Commercial Club in Charleston, where a large and highly enthusiastic meeting was held, an account of which will appear elsewhere. We were glad to welcome at our rooms Bros. Sharkman, Tenn. Omega; Mobley, Tenn. Pi, and Oakes, Alpha Delta; all of whom are attending the South Carolina Medical College. Bro. Arnold, Alpha Epsilon, also paid us a short visit.

R. B. SIMONS, JR.

VIRGINIA BETA—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Virginia Beta is having an especially successful year as we have gotten the pick of the class. Five old men returned, and Bro. C. H. Maguire, from Florida Alpha Omega is affiliating with us. We received the best of recommendations for a large number of men but as yet have taken in only six men.

Since last year the percentage of fraternity men has dropped six points. This goes to prove that fraternity life is being elevated year by year. Our present roll is as follows: Old men, V. G. Iden, U. F. Johnson, E. S. Humphreys, E. R. Cover, and H. D. Porter. Affiliates, C. H. Maguire, Fla. Alpha Omega. New men, W. K. Watkins, Louisiana; Jas. F. Thompson, Jr., West Virginia; G. G. Felker, West Virginia; L. A. Toms, Maryland; G. L. Hughes, Maryland; W. L. Cramer, Maryland.

Bro. Maguire was elected Vice-president of the Junior Law class. He will also represent the Graham Lee Literary Society in a debate on Thanksgiving. He was unable to play football on account of a broken ankle. Bro. Watkins is trying for the Glee and Instrumental Clubs and we hope he will make good. Bro. Toms is manager of the baseball team for the second time. He is also treasurer of the Albert Sidney Boat Club and manager of the Glee and Instrumental Clubs, as well as the basketball team. He is representative of the Senior Academic class on the Executive Committee of the student body and secretary of the Tennis Club.

E. S. HUMPHREYS.

VIRGINIA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The session opened under most auspicious circumstances. Only two of the old men were absent. In addition to those returning we have two affiliates and one initiate, which gives us a total membership of twelve. G. W. Lang is our only initiate thus far. Bro. Smythe, who was not at the University last year on account of ill health has returned for work this year.

We are still engaged in an effort to raise enough money to erect our chapter house. The fund is accumulating very slowly, but we have not given up hope. In fact, we expect to lay the foundations before the end of the present college year.

We are represented in the faculty this year in the persons of Bros. Bolings and Meloy. The former is the assistant professor of Ancient Languages and the latter is adjunct professor of Bacteriology.

ROBERT H. RENSHAW, JR.

PROVINCE VII.

OHIO ALPHA NU—MT. UNION COLLEGE.

The year thus far has been a favorable one with Alpha Nu. We started with seven active men in school. Since then we have initiated Bros. Rufner and Gallagher, and have five others to initiate next term. Never before, in the memory of any member, has our chapter been stronger or better fitted for doing good work.

On October 4th, Mrs. John B. Bowman entertained the boys and "The Girls" in honor of Bro. Bowman's birthday. That it was a successful affair goes without saying, because Mrs. and Prof. Bowman are royal entertainers. The chapter presented Bro. Bowman with the Fraternity Coat of Arms.

On the evening of October 10th, we initiated Bros. Rufner and Gallagher. We made this the occasion of a little "feed" and home gathering of the local alumni. Bro. Hart, '94, acted as toastmaster and as usual proved himself a past master of such ceremonies. Responses were made by alumni and active brothers, and we adjourned feeling that A. T. O. is the "best ever."

October 18th was the date of a very enjoyable husking bee held at the home of Bro. Ed. Lorenz. Bro. Lorenz had provided plenty of cider, etc., so was awarded by having almost three bushels of corn husked.

But our year has not been entirely one of joy. On November 2d, Bro. S. Donald Smith died in Cleveland. Bro. Smith has been in school here until this Fall, when he entered a Cleveland Art School. He was the youngest man in Alpha Nu and was a general favorite not only of the chapter but of the general student body. He was a man of rare ability and of a frank but generous disposition which won for him a place in any heart. Although he was not in school here this year, we feel his loss as keenly as if he had been actively associated with us. The active chapter attended his funeral which was held in Steubenville, O.

FRANK W. SMITH.

OHIO ALPHA PSI—WITTENBERG COLLEGE.

Ohio Alpha Psi started the new year under very bright conditions, nine old men returning. We have initiated three men so far, but have three more to take in soon, with bright prospects of another one or two.

We initiated this Fall Harold Schearer, Springfield, Ohio; Harry Kline, Springfield, Ohio, and Betraw Thomas, Springfield, Ohio; Eldon Leonard, from Ohio Beta Omega affiliated with us this year.

On the gridiron we are represented by Bro. Baskerville, who is playing on end and is easily the star of the team. Bro. Kline has a guard position "cinched," while Bro. Hall is doing sub-work behind the line. The line is very light, but they have shown remarkable speed.

Bro. Snyder is manager of this year's basketball team. Bro. Keyser has been chosen by the Senior class to give the Pife of Peace Oration at commencement. The writer is vice-president of Junior class.

Bro. Walter Page, of Dartmouth, was our guest for several days last month.

Bro. Potts, O. W. U., paid us a visit October 6th.

Bro. Walter Elder gives us a call quite frequently.

We are keeping up this year on all sides of fraternity life. Our social functions are among the main features.

We are expecting to have a good representation at the Birmingham Congress. Here's hoping that it will be a grand success.

C. DALE CHRISTIE.

OHIO BETA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The opening of this college year was indeed auspicious for Ohio Beta Eta. Beginning as we did, with a larger number of men back than ever before, at least, for a number of years, we felt assured, from the very first, that we were to enjoy another year of the good fellowship and conviviality which has always dominated in this chapter.

Besides the old men, we have secured during the last month, a goodly number of freshmen, in all of whom, we think we see the "makings" of "true and worthy" brothers.

Our men represent almost every line of activity connected with the university. Just at present, of course, football is the thing of paramount interest to the students, and we have on the squad Bros. Potts and Shira, who will doubtless make the team.

We are still located at the corner of Franklin and Central, and we are at all times glad to extend the right hand of fellowship to any brother who may happen into the city.

G. R. KINGHAM.

OHIO BETA MU—UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

On the return of the brothers this Fall we find many vacancies which we knew would be hard to fill. We lost Bros. Townsend and Rice by graduation, and Bros. Wallace, Bunn, Moore, Lloyd and Shontz were unable to return. Our first meeting seemed rather small with only ten men present, when last year we had such rousing meetings with eighteen and nineteen men, but there was still the same old feeling of loyalty for Alpha Tau, and a pervent spirit which meant "We will" characterized the meetings.

Our present enrollment is twelve men. Of these, two, Gideon Hatfield, and Homer Herbert, both of '10, were initiated this Fall. We have three pledged men, all of whom will most probably be initiated the first week of December, immediately following matriculation; also a prospective fourth. We firmly believe that we have obtained the pick of the Freshman class, and men, who were rushed and rushed hard, by every fraternity here.

During the past year Alpha Tau has been well represented on the athletic field and track. In baseball, Bro. J. J. Didcoct was business manager. On the team we had five men, Bros. Lloyd, Shontz, Moore, Compton, and Steele. All the brothers won their W's.

In track athletics last Spring, A. T. O. had four men, Bros. Wallace, Hatfield, Meldrum, and Bickenbach, all of whom won their W's. In the interclass meet Alpha Tau won 40 points out of a possible 117, which speaks well enough for the work of four men. Besides this Bros. Hatfield and Bickenbach hold the university records for the discus throw and the 220 yard dash, respectively.

In football this year we have three men on the team, Bro. Meldrum, halfback; Bro. Hatfield, fullback; and Bro. Compton, end, with Bro. Steele

making a strong chase for quarterback. Last year we had four men on the team, all winning their W's—thus giving us thirteen W's last year!

Along other lines has Alpha Tau been honored. Bro. Cowles is editor-in-chief of the *Wooster Voice*; Bro. Blankenhorn is athletic editor, and Bro. Henshaw is local editor. Bro. Henshaw was also the editor of the 1906-7 *Wooster Students Hand Book*. Bro. Dixon was elected business manager of the 1908 *Index*, the Junior Annual published by the fraternities. Last Spring Bro. Townsend won the Ohio State Oratorical Contest, and was by this, Ohio's representative at the Interstate Oratorical Contest held at Topeka, Kansas. Bro. Compton and Bro. Steele are assistants in Physics this year. And Bros. Henshaw and Compton are on the Y. M. C. A. cabinet. In class lines Bro. Compton is athletic representative of the Class of '08, and John D. Hayes, one of our pledged men, is president of the Class of '09.

Without doubt the most pleasant event of this Fall was an informal dance given to the chapter by "Uncle George" Schwartz and wife, and Mrs. Shives, October 18th. Fine music, a lively and jolly crowd, and the open hospitality of the Schwartz's, made it an evening long to be remembered by Beta Mu. But we always have a good time at "Uncle George's!" We have had two surprises on them this Fall—the first one gotten up by Mrs. Schwartz on her husband, and the second one, given by Uncle George on his wife "in return!" They were both truly surprises, and the first warning either of them had was our yell—"Ruh! Rah! Rega! Alpha Tau Omega! etc."

And now in conclusion will add that Ohio Beta Mu has been greatly favored this Fall in her meetings by the presence of many of the brothers and alumni—among them being Bro. A. W. Clokey, '03; Bro. James Michael, '03; Bro. J. H. Whitcraft, '05; Bro. W. H. Stentz, ex-'08; Bro. Paul C. Bunn, ex-'08; Bro. Charles J. Moore, ex-'08; and Bro. Harry B. Lloyd, ex-'08. We also were glad to have Bros. Troyan, Berry and Kunz, from Reserve, with us for one of our meetings. We are always glad to welcome the old brothers and any new brothers to our meetings, as we always obtain a great deal of good from their participation in our meetings. We extend a cordial invitation to all Alpha Taus to visit us any time they may be able to do so.

EDGAR E. BICKENBACH.

[A model chapter letter. Correspondents will do well by reading it carefully—Editor.]

OHIO BETA OMEGA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

We start the year with twelve men, four of whom have been initiated recently. They are C. E. Dennis, Paul R. Crane, Karl A. O'Brien, and E. R. Hill. We are now located at 1396 Neil street, and have just completed the furnishing of the new house.

We have one man pledged and several under consideration. While the increase in registration was over 400, only about half the number of freshmen were taken by the fraternities this year that were taken last year.

We lost Bro. Mac. Spencer recently by his marriage to Miss Jeannette Johnstown. They are now in Berkeley, Cal., and write that Gamma Iota is a royal bunch. Carni Thompson was elected to the office of Secretary of State.

A. E. STEVENSON.

OHIO GAMMA KAPPA—WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY.

The year 1906-7 is indeed starting out very bright for Gamma Kappa and we feel that it will be a year full of rich things.

Our number of old men to start with this year was very small, only having eight, but already we have added eight good freshman and wish to introduce to the fraternity at large the following "baby" Alpha Tau's: Bros. William Beck, William Feather, Thomas Corbett, Ray Barney, Wilfred Poe, Craig Richey, and Chas. Ruggles, all from Cleveland, and Bro. Standley A. Tracht, of Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

We held our first and second degree initiations on Saturday and Monday evenings, October 6th and 8th, respectively, and were very successful in each, being ably assisted by Bro. Harry Pugh, of Alpha Nu.

This year was begun very creditably by having Bro. Berry as the president of the Sophomore class and Bro. Barney, president of the Freshman class, while Bro. Corbett is treasurer of the same class. Bro. Stewart holds down a position on the "Reserve Annual" Board and also a member of the Junior Dance Committee. Bro. Bremer is the vice-president of his class at W. R. U. Law School. Bro. Barney was the Interscholastic Champion Hurdler of the State last year, while Bro. Berry did honor to himself, and H. T. Mily taking the first prize in Freshman Latin, at Adelburt College. Bro. Dellinger is connected with the Science Department of Adelburt College this year as assistant in Physics, while Bro. Berry is the assistant in the Philosophical Department. Bro. R. J. Stickle is pursuing Junior studies at Case School of Applied Science. Bro. Devoy is not with us this year, he is in business with his father at Conneaut, Ohio.

October 13th we were favored with a visit by Bro. Blankenhorn, of Ohio Beta Mu.

Among the familiar faces around the frat house this year, there is one, Don Smith, of Alpha Nu, who is pursuing studies at the Cleveland School of Art.

Along social lines, we are still "there." We are planning for our regular frat dances at the college as well as many House Parties, Smokers "Feeds," etc., at the frat house.

W. STILES KOONES.

PROVINCE VIII.

TENNESSEE ALPHA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN PRES. UNIVERSITY.

The session of 1906-7 at S. P. U. opened very favorably. Most of the students were on hand the opening day and a spirit of enthusiasm was manifest and all the boys, both old and new, seemed to be ready for hard work again. Another encouraging fact was that the school opened with an increase in attendance over last year of 25 per cent. The student body as a whole is made up of bright, earnest young men, and the outlook for the future is very encouraging. A good deal of good frat material was evident and from what will shortly follow it will be seen that we have not been asleep in regard to it.

Eleven of our old men returned and were here promptly at the opening of the University. They came back with the determination to make this the best year of the institution. Since the opening we have taken unto ourselves seven new brothers, all fine men, and who have also come here with a purpose. So we stand now eighteen strong and all doing our best in our different little spheres to make this a very successful year in all respects. It gives me great pleasure to introduce our new brothers: E. S. Matthews, of Tennessee; O. W. Bueschgen, of Alabama; E. R. White, of Alabama; T. R. White, of Alabama; J. W. Melvin, of Mississippi; E. D. Woods, of Tennessee; H. S. Watson, of Tennessee.

We are enjoying at this time a visit from Bro. Lemon, and we all wish that he could see fit to make his home among us once more.

Bro. S. E. Crosby has been elected manager of baseball, and Bro. Baddley manager of basketball. We mention this to show that we are not asleep along this line but doing our best here also. Both of these brothers will doubtless do well in both of these lines. Football still holds a prominent place in our affections and many of the brothers are working hard along this line. The men that we have on the first team are doing well and deserve great credit and we also have some hopeful material on the second team.

The spirit of entertainment and improvement are both alive among the brothers. We had the pleasure of having our very appreciative Sisters with us at an informal reception the first part of the month. It was a very delightful affair. Old time Southern chivalry and hospitality were in evidence. We also from time to time try to make improvements in our rooms and it is our purpose to make them as comfortable as possible.

We close, looking forward with pleasure to the Congress in Birmingham, and with bright hopes for the coming year.

D. B. GREGORY.

TENNESSEE BETA PI—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

We opened this year with a goodly number of old men and are happy to have with us as transfers, Bros. Barom, Wiggins, and Fraser. We have initiated Timothy Moony, and the prospects are good for several more men. It is very likely that we shall be represented on the football team this year.

TENN. BETA TAU—SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST UNIVERSITY.

The session here opened with brilliant prospects for A. T. O. We have already initiated F. T. Hall, M. E. Ward, B. H. Hensley, and H. W. Ward, of whom we are exceedingly proud.

Only five of last year's chapter returned; however, we feel with these four excellent brothers added that Beta Tau chapter will do her part.

D. S. CARPENTER.

TENNESSEE OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since our last letter there have been no new men to enter the university and so we are quiet in the initiation line. Our busy season is in June, when all the entering men usually come.

We have been busy in the honor-securing department. Bro. E. Penick is business manager of the 1907 baseball team. Bro. J. J. Shaffer is vice-president of the Athletic Association, and won the cup for the all-around track-championship. Bros. E. and C. H. Penick won the championship and handicap tennis tournaments for doubles, and Bro. E. Penick captured the singles cup in each.

The next commencement, June, 1907, is the bi-centennial of the university. We have already started a movement to get all the Sewanee A. T. O. Alumni up here, and intend to show them a good time. We shall be glad to see any other brothers who might care to come.

CHARLES PUCKETT.

TENNESSEE PI—UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.

We are now in the midst of the rushing season. Tennessee Pi opened up badly, as four men who expected to be back received such good inducements that they decided to remain at work. We have six old men back and have already put the goat to three freshmen, viz, they are Bros. Fletcher F. White, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Paul Edgar McNabb, Knoxville, Tenn.; and Edward M. DesRochers, Jacksonville, Fla. Bro. White had the pleasant distinction of being defeated for the presidency of his class by one vote. Bro. McNabb is editor on the *Magazine* from the same class. We hope in our next letter or at Birmingham to make you acquainted with several other freshmen whom we are considering.

As to the old men back, Bro. Gunther has been playing tackle on the 'Varsity football team, but has been temporarily laid up with injuries received in our first game. He expects however to be back in the game in a few days. Bro. Converse is president of the Engineering Society and is manager and plays on the Senior class basketball team. Bro. Cummings is editor on the *Volunteer* from the Senior Law class. Bro. Carson has been appointed a Corporal in the Military Department. Bros. Mayo, Gunther, and Shea are members of the 'Varsity German Club, and Bro. Shea is on the Governing Board of the same.

In closing lets say, "Here's to Birmingham," and let us southern chapters show our northern brothers that although there is no North and no South, yet there remains in the southern part of God's country that same hospitality for which it was noted in those good old days "befo de wa," of which they have read so much and seen so little.

JAMES M. D. SHEA.

LATEST CONGRESS NEWS.

It is authoritatively announced that Bro. Erskine M. Ross, Judge of the U. S. Circuit Courts in California, and one of the founders of the Fraternity, will be present at the Birmingham Congress. Bro. Ross, by reason of his continued residence away from the geographical center of the Fraternity, has never attended a Congress and many brethren will rejoice for the opportunity of meeting him. He and Bro. Glazebrook are the only surviving founders—Bro. Marshall, the other, having died in 1870.

Alfred S. Hartzell, (Pa. Alpha Iota) associate editor of the PALM, has been appointed Congress Poet.

Official Correspondence.

WORTHY GRAND CHIEF.

I WANT every Alpha Tau who reads these lines, whether he is an alumnus or an active member, to consider very seriously the possibility of his attending Congress. If you can by hook—I almost added “or crook”—raise the money and if by any make, shift or substitution you can arrange your business, it will pay you to come to Birmingham and the Fraternity will expect you there on December 26th. If you have ever attended a Congress, you will not need urging. But to those who have never taken part in a Congress, it can truthfully be said that no other assemblage is known of like power for bringing out the best in men, because here we shall have men drawn together by a tie that does not bind any other society or organization. Here the elder brothers will renew the enthusiasm and optimism of youth by association with undergraduates. And here the youngest Alpha Tau can see exemplified the Principles of the Order in the lives of its founders (both of whom we hope to have with us this year) and of other grand spirits who have spent almost a life time in the Fraternity.

From the social standpoint the Congress is exceedingly attractive. Our alumni at Birmingham have a program of hospitalities even more comprehensive than has been offered by other cities. Four days, in fact, are to be spent in enjoyment of all that this wonderful new city of the South has to offer. Of southern hospitality I need say nothing to those who attended the New Orleans, Nashville, or preceding southern Congresses. But here we shall have it better than ever, because the Fraternity has grown so much and thus a much larger gathering is assured.

But the social attractions to my mind are not the chief drawing power that should bring every loyal Alpha Tau to Birmingham. The power that draws me and many another over and over again to our Congresses will find its chief outflow at our banquet—an occasion of wit and merriment, yes—but much more, an occasion of deep and wonderful emotions. Congress is an occasion, more than any others, where our men get outside the prosaic round of their daily existence and come under those influences—call them poetical if you wish—which tend to uplift and inspire. At Congress we feel in its highest degree that spirit of Fraternity which makes us love our Order. It is indeed the same spirit toward which all culture and religion and rational philosophy should tend the spirit of Universal Brotherhood. That is why I say again come to Congress. Fill the flowing bowl. But also *feed the hungry soul.*

E. P. LYON, W. G. C.

WORTHY GRAND KEEPER OF ANNALS.

SOME of the chapters have failed to preserve among their important chapter archives the booklet of instructions for the W. K. of A. which was issued from this office on January 5, 1905. For the benefit of such chapters the booklet is reprinted below and chapters should make a special effort to preserve it in some manner. Its importance fully justifies its transcription in a blank book and retained for permanent reference and guidance.

In order that the W. K. of A. of each chapter may better appreciate the duties of his office and at the same time be in perfect accord with this office, I have decided to have the following printed in such a way that it can constantly be in the possession of the chapter. All changes noted were adopted by the Nineteenth Biennial Congress, upon recommendations made by me at the said Congress.

I earnestly appeal to the individual W. K. A's to do their duty in these particulars, *faithfully*. Their reward, I feel sure, will be an increased love

for Alpha Tau Omega. Your cooperation will leave me more time to find and locate the alumni of our defunct chapters, which as you can imagine, is an arduous task.

1. It is recommended: that in the election of the W. K. of A., at the beginning of each college year, chapters shall elect a man, who will faithfully attend to his duties.

2. Furthermore: that it is advisable to continue such a man, in the said office, so long as he is an active member of your chapter.

3. Should this officer desire any assistance, he shall have authority to call upon one or two other members of his chapter to cooperate with him.

4. It will not be necessary in the future to continue recording data of initiates, in the old Record Book, used by many chapters in the past. (This additional Record may be continued if so desired.)

5. *Each chapter*, shall possess, instead of the old Record Book, a copy of the Official Register of 1903. (Such a book will be sent you by this office, if not already owned by the Chapter, upon request.)

6. This copy of the Official Register, shall be sent to a bookbinder and have inserted blank leaves between each page of your roll as printed in the Register. At the end of your chapter roll about ten additional blank pages should be inserted, for recording initiates subsequent to publication of said Register.

7. If your chapter roll as printed in Official Register is not arranged according to precedence of initiation, it should be so corrected.

8. Each initiate shall have his proper number in front of his name. The first initiate being number one (1), etc. Affiliates are not to receive a number, but may be recorded upon your roll.

9. The following data should be recorded in the interleaved copy of Official Register as soon as a man is initiated: full name; home address; date of initiation. A sufficient space should be left between each enrollment for any future addresses, etc., of each man.

10. I would advise each officer performing this duty to print data instead of writing: (No. 119. SMITH, JOHN ARTHUR. [*Degrees.*] ALLENTOWN, PA., 1904.)

11. The W. M. or K. of A. who fills out and sends to the W. G. K. E. the formal application blank, with fee, is requested to fill in the blank intended for the W. G. K. A. with the same care as names are recorded in your Records, so that I may have no doubt as to the proper spelling of each name. If possible, have data of such importance typewritten.

12. In the future, chapters will not be required to have printed and distributed June 1st of each year, their annual reports. Instead of such a report the following was adopted at the Nineteenth Biennial Congress.

13. The respective W. K. of A. of each chapter shall, as soon as elected, at the beginning of *each* college year, during the time previous to May 1st, locate and secure the following data of every man on the chapter roll: name; present occupation; present city street address.

14. Not later than May 15th of each year he shall send to his respective Provincial Chief his complete, corrected roll; arranged not alphabetically, but in order of initiation.

15. In order that this clerical work of copying off each year, this data, may be unnecessary, I would recommend each W. K. A. to keep in addition to the Official Register Recorder, a set of cards.

These cards, when brought up to date, can be corrected whenever necessary and can be sent direct to the Provincial Chief, who will return them after he has secured the data he requires.

16. As soon as the Provincial Chief receives the complete rolls of his respective chapters, he shall have them printed on the same size paper and in the same manner as the Official Register of 1903.

17. June 1st of each year the Provincial Chief shall return to each W. K. A. of his respective chapters a sufficient number of copies of his roll (in pamphlet form), so that each living alumnus may receive a copy.

18. Upon the receipt of these printed rolls, the respective W. K. A. shall mail one copy to each alumnus. Accompanying this, if desired, a chapter letter may also be sent.

19. In the preparation of this data for your yearly report, let me insist that every effort be made to locate *every* alumnus. If he can not be found at the address given in Official Register, write to him at his home address, when initiated, with a request on the envelope to the postmaster "to please forward." Should this fail, write to the several alumni, whose addresses you know, who were in college when he was there, requesting them to assist you in your search.

20. Should any after this careful search be lost, be sure and print a note opposite his name, before sending roll to Provincial Chief for publication. I can then aid you, if possible, in finding the lost men.

21. In the event of the death of any member of your complete roll, you are requested to notify the editor of the PALM at once and also record the same, with correct date of death.

Again, let me impress upon each W. K. of A. the great importance of following in each detail, the contents of this circular.

Your efforts will not only benefit your active chapter, but will give your alumni once a year information which will be highly prized. The assistance derived by the General Fraternity will be inestimable.

One inefficient officer in this branch of our work will be like the proverbial weak link in a supposedly strong chain. Do not be that link. *Do not depend absolutely upon the data printed in the Official Register of 1903;* many addresses, etc., have been changed since it was published. Should you ever desire any cooperation or assistance, be assured that although I am as busy as any man in your chapter, I shall be prompt in my reply, in order that Alpha Tau Omega may be made as perfect an organization as is possible. Fraternally and cordially yours,

LARKIN W. GLAZEBROOK, M. D.

Worthy Grand Keeper Annals.

NOTICE TO ALL W. K. A.

W. K. A's are directed to pay faithful attention to the following:

1. Your delegate to Congress shall bring with him a complete chapter roll. Names arranged according to initiation. Said roll to be type written (except those chapters who printed their rolls for 1906).

2. Do not include upon your roll affiliates, but every initiate to date.

3. Do your utmost to locate between now and the time your delegate leaves, every alumnus, with his correct occupation and street address.

4. I can readily detect those chapters who have not complied with this important duty and shall be forced to make a personal report of those who have been careless in this detail, which is of such great importance to the Fraternity.

5. Those chapters whose rolls were printed for 1906, will note addition and further corrections and send said copy, instead of type writing roll again.

L. W. GLAZEBROOK, W. G. K. A.

PROVINCE III.

MY DEAR BROTHER RENO:

Since my last letter to you, I have enjoyed the hospitality of a number of the chapters in Province III. As told in the June PALM, the pleasant duty fell to me of installing Gamma Rho chapter into the mysteries of Alpha Tauism. I have never regretted the deed. The unanimous verdict heard by me on all sides is "he has gone into Missouri right." That this is true will be endorsed by all who meet the delegation sent to Birmingham by the baby chapter of Province III.

In May, I spent a delightful few days with Nebraska Gamma Theta and Bros. Wilson and Boltin. It was at the time of the annual Kansas-Nebraska baseball series. To show true Alpha Tau spirit we took a game a piece. The boys of Gamma Theta were well represented on the baseball diamond and on the tennis courts as well as in all other lines of university life.

That I enjoyed the visit I hope to prove when I repeat the visit on November 17th, at the time of the annual football game between Kansas and Nebraska.

In June, I spent a happy day with the boys of Beta Alpha at Indianola. They certainly run things up at Simpson for they have their fingers in every piece of pie served there. Even the president's secretary is an Alpha Tau. While passing through Des Moines I hunted up Bro. Kruidenier, of Colorado Gamma Lambda and found him to be a fellow Dutchman. I spent a pleasant time at his home. Together we hunted up Bro. Graham, of old California Beta Psi, who has a fine law practice in Des Moines. He was delighted however to stop his work and rehearse many interesting incidents of his old college and fraternity days.

During July, I hunted up the boys of Beta Lambda and found a number of them attending Summer session. I found that whether at work or at play (on the river on moonlight evenings) they exhibited the same earnestness which is a characteristic of all true A. T. O's. During the first few days of September, I called at the home of Illinois Gamma Xi but found no one in but Bro. Schmitt. We had a fine time discussing matters dear to the heart of every fraternity man.

I am very sorry that my work prevents me from attending the banquet given under the auspices of the Chicago Alumni Association on November the 15th. We are however making great preparations for the annual banquet at Kansas City on Thanksgiving eve. Sixty or more Alpha Taus expect then to make the halls and corridors of Hotel Baltimore resound with Alpha Tau yells and echo with Alpha Tau songs.

We are also making great preparations in regard to our trip to Birmingham. It is hoped that the boys of Beta Alpha, Gamma Lambda, Gamma Theta, Gamma Mu, and Gamma Pi will make their Pullman reservations to Kansas City from where we hope to go in a special car to Birmingham, picking up the boys of Gamma Rho at Springfield. It is hoped that any Alpha Taus who are expecting to go to Congress and whose way may lie through Kansas City will communicate with the Chief of Province III, or with Bro. E. R. Morrison, New York Life Building, Kansas City, Mo., who will be glad to give any information desired. We expect to have a glorious time on our trip. Pack your grips and come along.

JOHN N. VAN DER VRIES.

ALPHA TAU OMEGA has 31 inactive chapters, of which 9 were community chapters. In an early issue we expect to present articles on our inactive chapters and brief histories of the communities.

THE GREEK WORLD.

HELLENIC AND COLLEGIATE.

HENDREE P. SIMPSON.

A small volume, but a fine little specimen of the typographic and book-binder's art, entitled, "The Record of Phi Kappa Psi," has been received from its author, Mr. Guy M. Walker, of New York City, and to this gentleman thanks are expressed for the copy. As a "spiking" handbook for energetic Phi Psi's it is a success, and without doubt the work of Mr. Walker should be highly valued by the members of his fraternity. We notice that, in spite of the rather small chapter roll, forty-two, the fraternity claims over ten thousand members, and this must be due partly to the age of the Order (being born in 1852) and partly perhaps to rather large individual chapters, which seem to run between eighteen and thirty at the present time. There are twenty defunct chapters on its list, among which are Missouri and Simpson College, two institutions which Alpha Tau Omega has lately entered. From 1855 to 1886 different chapters, called Grand chapters in term, governed the fraternity, but at the latter date the present form of government was adopted—that of an executive council formed of graduates, acting with the biennial convention of delegates. These thirty odd years of chapter government are in striking contrast to Alpha Tau Omega's experience of but five years with the same system. With us, the "Mother Chapter" wisely transferred this power from itself to the biennial Congress as early as 1870.

This statement occurs therein: "The Phi Kappa Psi was a pioneer in the modern centralized form of government by means of an executive council composed of graduate officers;" we do not know just to what extent that fraternity central-

ized its powers, but it may be mentioned that as early as 1874 Alpha Tau Omega decided that five general officers should govern us, acting together with the Congress. This action antedated Phi Kappa Psi's by twelve years. But further on occurs this and we extend congratulations to our rivals: "We not only have no debts, but our treasury is full." Lucky fellows, particularly as to the latter condition!



At Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., it seems to be nip and tuck 'tween the fraternities and sororities, with the chances in favor of the girls: With nine chapters of the one and eleven of the other, who wouldn't be a frat "man" there? But it strikes us that the house is pretty full.



Delta Gamma sorority met in convention with its Evanston, Ill., chapter last May, and the July number of the *Anchora* tells of the enjoyable times the delegates had.



But as to sorority magazines of late dates, give us the Pi Beta Phi's *Arrow*, and if you haven't a copy, buy one. Girls, girls, girls, and pictures of all kinds—tall and short, big and little, pretty and not so pretty, serious and lively, blonde and brunette and mixed, and,—and,—and enough to make the scribe's head turn and his pencil drop. Why don't the rest of the sororities follow the *Arrow's* example and give us more pictures to cheer the heart and drive dull care away!



A local club has been granted a charter by Alpha Tau Omega. The chapter is composed of a good crowd of men, and is having no trouble in receiving recognition from the rest of the fraternities. There is also a well founded rumor that a number of girls have organized and are petitioning Kappa Alpha Theta. If successful, they will find little or no opposition,

for a school the size of Missouri University is well able to supply material for more than two sororities, the number here now. A chapter of Phi Beta Pi fraternity was established in the Medical department on March 10th.—*Missouri correspondence in Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta.*



At its national convention held in Denver during the last week in July, Beta Theta Pi had delegates from all its chapters but those at the Universities of Virginia and North Carolina. The University of Toronto was the recipient of the only charter granted. A movement to install a chapter at Colorado School of Mines was lost by the narrow margin of two votes. Beta Theta Pi extension is strictly by chapter vote, no officers or alumni associations being allowed to take part, and the granting of a charter requires a three-fourths vote of all chapters, whether represented or not. Petitioners from the University of Oklahoma were turned down by a vote of twenty-seven for and twenty-six against. Beta Theta Pi has sixty-eight chapters, and fifty-one votes are, therefore, required for favorable action on proposed extension.—*S. A. E. Record.*



Kappa Alpha became "inactive" last year at South-western Presbyterian University.



Delta Upsilon is scheduled to meet this year with its Middlebury (Vermont) chapter around October 25th. Delta Kappa Epsilon meets at Springfield, Mass., in November. Alpha Tau Omega gets possession of Birmingham in December. S. A. E. of Atlanta, the same month, and Phi Delta Theta, of Washington, around Thanksgiving time. Sigma Nu meets in Chicago on the last day of 1906.



The editor of the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* gives prominence to a copied article from the *Scrap Book* in which the American college fraternity is said to have "become a *farce*, (italics our) educational and socially intellectual and moral, so great that even but few fraternity leaders appreciate it." This is one on the *Shield*, the *Scrap Book's* types meant "force."

The Sigma Nu *Delta* boasts of having over 1100 alumni subscribers, the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* claims 1400, the Kappa Alpha *Journal* is nearing the 1000 mark, and the S. A. E. *Record* must be close to the latter figure since it prints a total edition of 2300 copies. Now for Alpha Tau alumni to come to the front, to do the proper thing, and to make the PALM equal to any in circulation.



Washington is becoming popular with the fraternities as a convention city. Phi Kappa Psi met there in April of this year and Phi Delta Theta is scheduled to come together in November, the Chi Omega's met in the Spring, and some High School National Secret Society likewise honored the city last June.



Sigma Alpha Epsilon has not only had itself reincorporated, but has likewise officially decided to be called "S. A. E's." Positive objection to being called "Sigs" and getting confused with Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi, and Sigma Phi Epsilon, led to the decision. The editor of the *Record* wanted it to be "Sigma Alphs", which we, ourselves, think sounds better, but the official board said otherwise, and hereafter he is an "S. A. E." and nothing else.

This brings to mind the different ways of naming the Maltese Cross wearers: "A. T. O." is still heard coming from many, "Alpha Tau," is liked and used by a goodly number, while the abbreviated, lapped-off, skin-tight form, "Tau," has its undignified supporters. The writer, personally, regards the last as showing bad taste and too much of a desire to abbreviate one of the fine sounding things of the world.



The *Delta Chi Quarterly* for June is a handsome issue of that legal fraternity's organ and this piece of news is clipped from it:

Another National Greek Letter Fraternity has been organized by some unbleached Americans. Ohio State is the place: January 3rd the date, and

the name is Pi Gamma Omicron. Chapters will be installed, says the *New York Sun*, at Chicago, Indiana, Denison, Fiske, Tennessee, Hampton, Wilberforce and Virginia. This is probably exaggerated to some extent as there are no ebonized Americans at Virginia and probably not at Tennessee Universities.



S. A. E. became incorporated last March, and an article in the *Record* states that the fraternity had been running under the supposition that this had occurred in 1892, under the laws of Tennessee, but recently a question was raised as to the validity of this incorporation and the discovery was made that it was worthless; so the action was taken all over again, under the laws of Illinois, and, as it happened, on the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the fraternity.



Phi Kappa Psi entered the Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland, on June 2, by absorbing a local. The executive officer of Sigma Nu recently wrote this concerning the institution:

If I had not already been fairly familiar with the conditions, this conversation would have been sufficient to have impressed me with the importance of this school as an educational institution, but more than anything else its desirability as a point for Sigma Nu and its traditions. One fact firmly fixed this on my mind. This was that the grade of the school had been now raised to a point where it was the intention to regulate the standard of those admitted to a point where the number would be limited to those of the highest class, with the sole idea that the individual student at the Case School should be trained to the utmost that is in him. On its merits solely, aside from any other consideration, the Case School offers everything that is best for a Sigma Nu Chapter. The students are all of a proper age; their college work is cohesive; they are closely in touch with the members of their faculty and the faculty approves of fraternity organization and are kindly disposed, so far as I could gather, to our own brotherhood. The number of students compares favorably with most of the institutions at which we have chapters. There is no likelihood that this number will grow less. The fraternities which are already installed are of the best class and since the question was brought up originally, both Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Psi have gone in. If we propose taking advantage of the opportunity to enter the Case School, it should be done now.

The non-fraternity men seem to have been having considerable trouble lately. The Commons Club, which included all non-fraternity men, decided that it was best for them and for the college to maintain the club as before. Eight or ten men, however, who were dissatisfied with this decision, have withdrawn and formed a society of their own under the name of Phi Rho Sigma. But, although they have evidently petitioned several fraternities for admission, yet on account of the newness of the organization and weakness of the men who make it up, little uneasiness is felt by the fraternities represented here.—*Wesleyan University correspondence in Delta Tau Delta Rainbow.*



The trustees at Wolford College, South Carolina, at the late commencement decided that the fraternities must go. A concession was made however, in ruling that chapters now in existence will be allowed to continue until their last man is graduated, but are henceforth forbidden from taking in any new members. Three or four years will lapse before all the members graduate and it is just possible, by dint of hard work on the part of the fraternity men, that these trustees may yet be convinced of the error of their "back-woods philosophy" and induced to repeal the law before the last fraternity man leaves the scene of action.



THE ten largest fraternities, with the number of active chapters had by each in 1906, are as follows: Kappa Sigma, 76; Phi Delta Theta, 70; Beta Theta Pi, 69; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 67; Phi Gamma Delta, 57; Alpha Tau Omega, 56; Sigma Nu, 56; Sigma Chi, 55; Kappa Alpha, (S.) 50; Delta Tau Delta, 49. The general men's fraternities, of which there are now 31, have in the aggregate 1,009 chapters, and possibly 200,000 members. Of these 1,009 chapters, possibly 700 are in houses, either rented or owned.



EDITORIAL.



THE CONGRESS.

ALL classes of Alpha Taus should be at Birmingham. The old alumnus should go to note the wonderful progress "his old college frat" has made since his active days. The intermediate graduate should go to seek surcease from the grinding anxieties of business and professional life and to live again the days that are green oases in a busy and active life. The more recent graduate should be there to pledge anew his unfaltering devotion to the cause from which he derived so much enjoyment and pleasure and inspiration in the days which are fast reclining to the shades of memory. The undergraduate should journey to Birmingham to catch and hold the real and true meaning and ideals of the Fraternity to which he has recently given his undying vows. There is a reason for the presence of every Alpha Tau on earth; the excuses for absence are too few for consideration!

To the cordial invitation extended by our hosts on another page of this number, nothing can be added. The Birmingham brethren have done well; they have provided a good feast for the Fraternity and they mean every word of that hearty invitation. And let it be known, too, that to date over 500 Alpha Taus have signified their intention of being present. If acceptances continue to multiply the brother who remains away will be in a hopeless minority.

It is a duty as well as a priceless privilege, to attend the Congress of Alpha Tau Omega. No brother within a week's travel from Birmingham can afford to miss this opportunity. No Southern brother within hailing distance of the Congress site should be satisfied until he has packed his suit case and joined the throng. We call on the South to marshall her

forces in Birmingham to meet the North and West—and we would prepare the North and West for the pleasure of meeting the South *en masse*. We predict that each will surprise the other by the number present.

The all absorbing topic in the Fraternity's mind now is: Will YOU be at Birmingham? A thousand voices call. Can you resist?



THE CHAPTER DELEGATE.

THE Constitution provides that each Chapter shall be represented at Congress by one delegate chosen from the active undergraduate membership; and in default of such representation the Chapter shall forfeit the sum named in the provision. The law is silent as to other qualifications which the delegate should possess—that matter being wisely left to the judgment of the electing body.

This being true it behooves the undergraduate contingent to weigh very carefully the qualifications and aptitude of its various members before confiding its credentials to any one of them. The prime object should be to give the whole Fraternity the benefit of the best man in each Chapter. The best man is not always the most congenial or the one most imbued with the spirit of good fellowship. He should, indeed, be congenial and friendly and well met—but more important of all—he should be sensible, broad-minded, tolerant, charitable and fully informed of the needs of the Fraternity. If he can speak well on his feet so much the better, but above all send a man who will attend the sessions of the Congress and can give the business thereof intelligent attention and proper action.



THE PAST TWO YEARS.

SUCCINCTLY stated, what is the Fraternity's record during the two years now closing?

At the end of 1904 we had 51 active Chapters. Since then two new Chapters (Washington and Missouri) have

been established, and three inactive Chapters (Washington and Lee, Simpson and Massachusetts Institute of Technology) have been revived. Total Chapters to date, 56—and there is not a weak Chapter in the entire list!

At the end of 1904 we had 18 alumni associations. Since then nine (Detroit, Cincinnati, Indiana, Kansas City, Minnesota, Philadelphia, South Carolina, Columbus, and St. Louis) have been organized. Total alumni associations to date, 27—and all a source of inestimatable benefit to Alpha Tau Omega!

What will the ensuing two years bring forth?



PALM DUES.

NOTICE is again given that all the PALM dues and fines must be paid in full before Congress convenes. Delinquent Chapters will be reported to the Committee appointed for the reception of such matters and through this channel Congress will be asked to take action.

Chapters should at once take up this matter with the W. G. K. E. All active members must pay \$1.50 per year for the PALM—the year being from January to March. The dues for the first year of those initiated from January to June is \$1.50; those initiated between June 30th and December 31st, pay 75 cents. With this as a basis each Chapter can calculate its indebtedness and should remit the amount due.

This is the last warning on this subject. If Chapters do not heed it now they must be prepared for whatever action Congress takes. The Worthy Grand Chief has already stated his views on the matter in a circular letter and it is now felt that there can be no possible excuse for this delinquency.

Chapters in arrears should communicate with the W. G. K. E. as to the amount thereof.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS.

THE measure of the interest manifested by the alumni of a college fraternity is the true criterion of its vitality. A great fraternity must, perforce, have loyal graduate members, for through them and by them are worked out to a large degree the objects and ideals of the organization. For the promotion of these ends and for the enjoyment which flows from social gatherings our alumni have very generally organized themselves into effective central bodies and are now doing a vast deal of good for Alpha Tau Omega. For this reason we are always glad to add others to the already large list of alumni associations and we take especial pleasure in welcoming and greeting the Indiana and the South Carolina brothers in their new associate character. Both have been organized under the most auspicious circumstances, have attracted large membership, have had enthusiastic and well attended meetings and have confided their affairs in worthy and energetic officials. With the splendid opportunities before them in their respective districts, they can very naturally be expected to produce good results for the Fraternity, and we urge all Alpha Taus in these States to lend their influence and support to these movements.

Since the above was written we learn of the organization of the Columbus (Ohio) and St. Louis associations. In our next number further information will be presented. Still, what is true of the Indiana and South Carolina associations is certainly true of the newer societies. All have our best wishes.



THE SONG BOOK.

SINCE the earlier forms of this number were put to press we were informed that the Song Book will be published by December 20th. The manuscript is now in the hands of Bros. Connor and J. T. Rugh, of Philadelphia, who are preparing it for the press, and all Chapters and individual members are urged to send their subscriptions without fail to Bro. Hamilton

C. Connor, 501 Stephen Girard Building, Philadelphia, Pa. Bro. Connor informs us that the price of the book will probably be no more than \$1.00. Now that the Song Book is actually in sight let every brother subscribe without further delay. The Fraternity needs the book and at the price stated no member can afford to be without it.



ERRATA ET ADDENDA.

SINCE the first forms of this issue went to press information has come to hand which requires the following corrections of and additions to the statements already made:

Congress Trains. The *Texas* train will be in charge of Bro. R. E. Saner, National Exchange Bank Building, Dallas, Texas, instead of Bro. George W. Mitchell. The *New Orleans* train will be in the charge of Bro. Edward Rightor, Hennen Building, New Orleans, La., instead of Bro. Wm. A. Bell. A Congress train will leave *Kansas City, Mo.*, at 6.30 P. M., Monday, December 24th, 1906, on the Frisco Railroad, will reach Springfield, Mo., 12.10 A. M., Tuesday; Memphis, Tenn., 8 A. M., Tuesday; and arrive at Birmingham at noon, Tuesday. This train will be in charge of Bro. Jno. N. Van der Vries, Provincial Chief, 927 Kentucky Avenue, Lawrence, Kansas, to whom all reservations should be addressed. The *Chicago* train will leave that city at 12.45 P. M., December 25th, on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad. This train reaches St. Louis, Mo., at 3.30 P. M., December 25th; Evansville, 8.45 P. M., Louisville, Ky., 9.30 P. M., Nashville, 2.25 A. M., December 26th, and Birmingham, 8.25 A. M., December 26th.



EVERY chapter is represented by a letter in this number. Our correspondents are entitled to great credit.

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